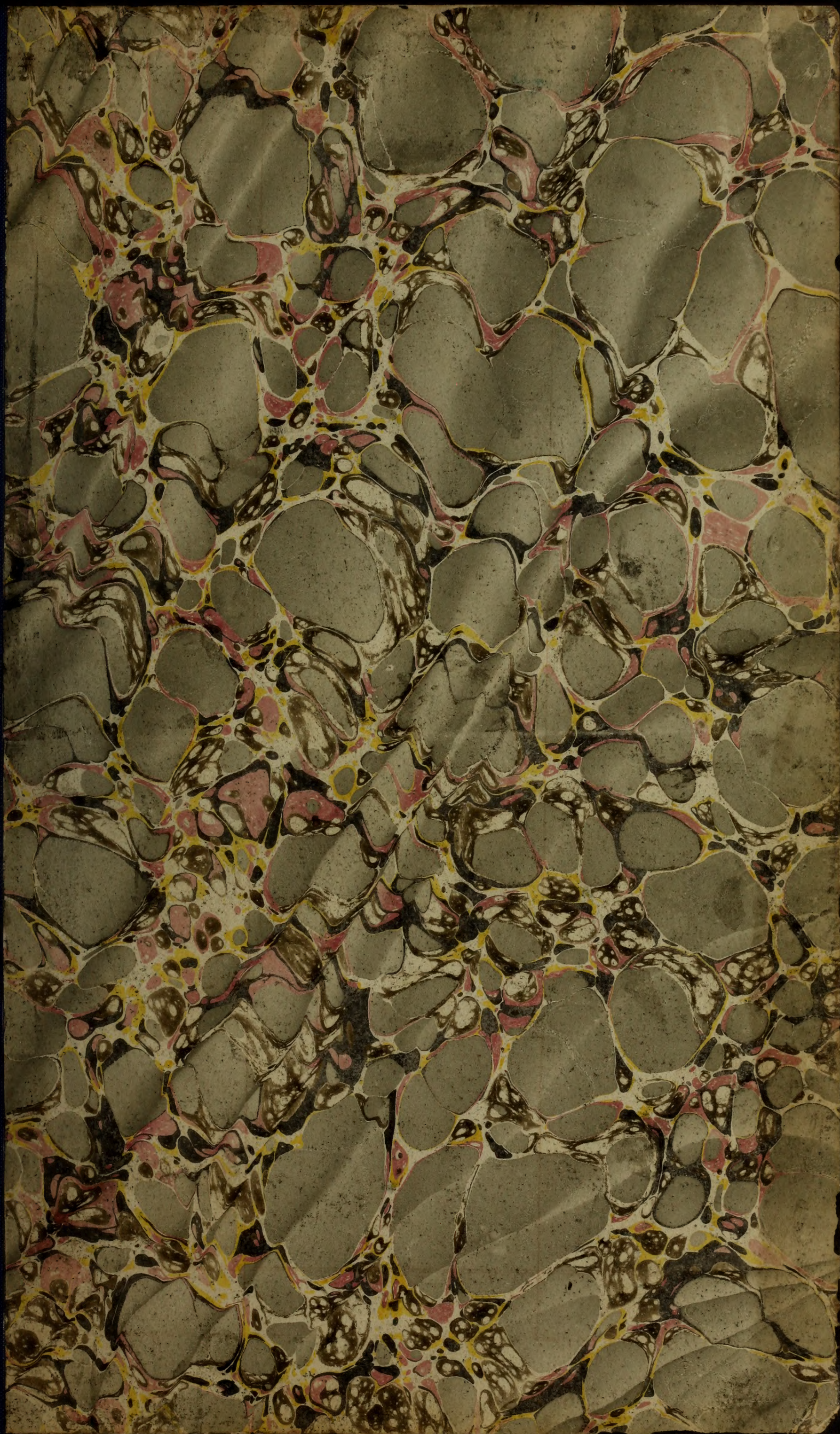


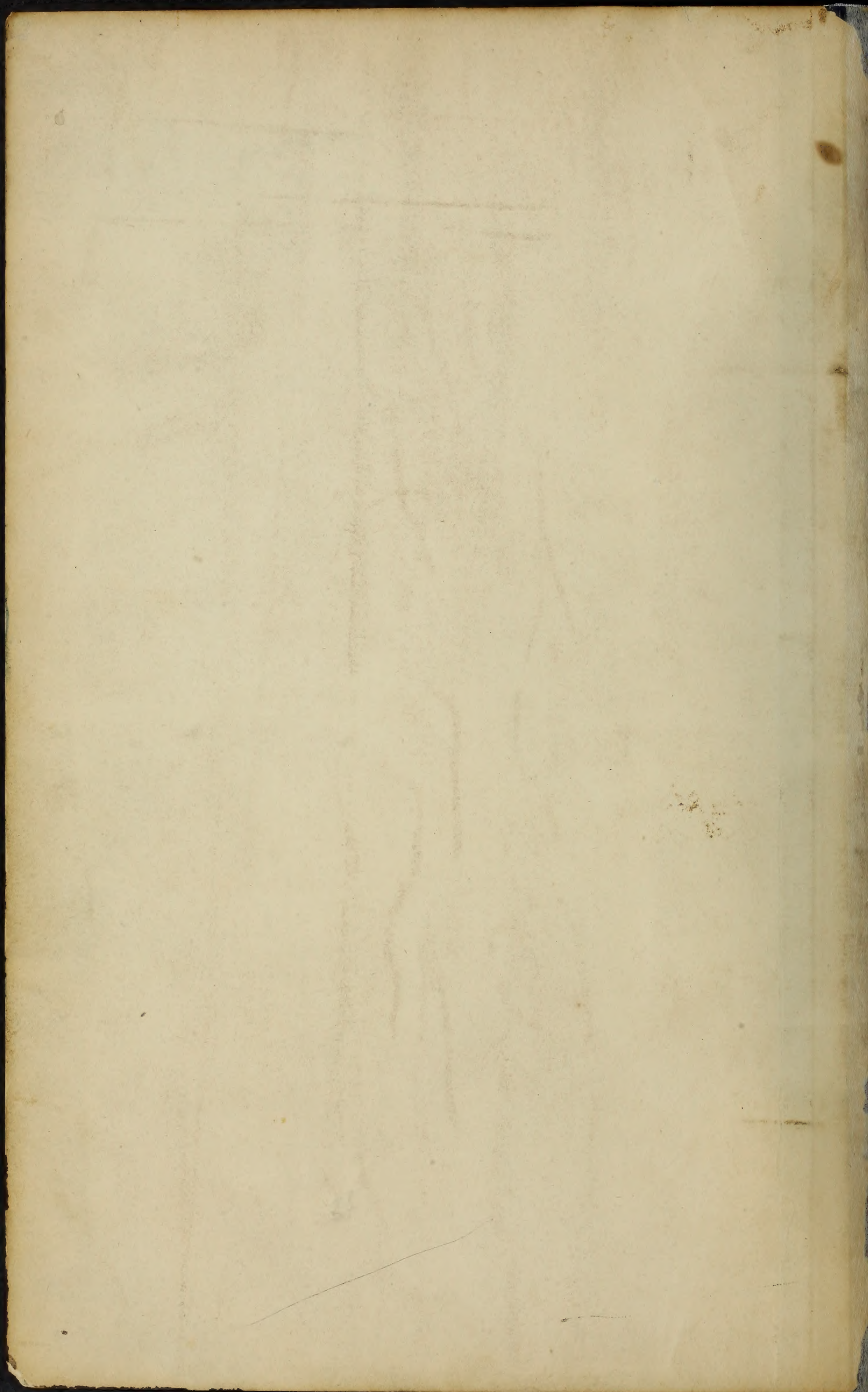
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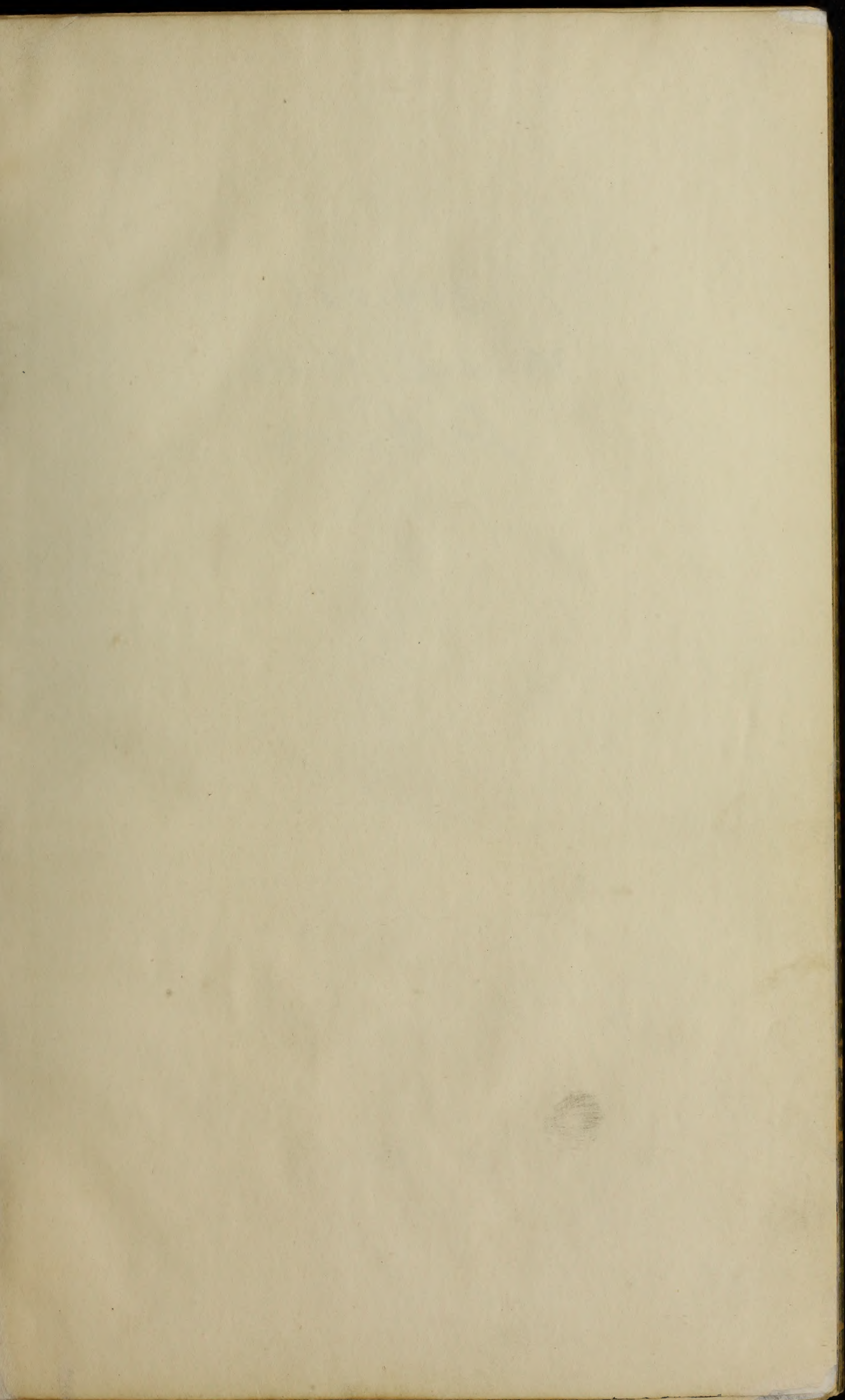
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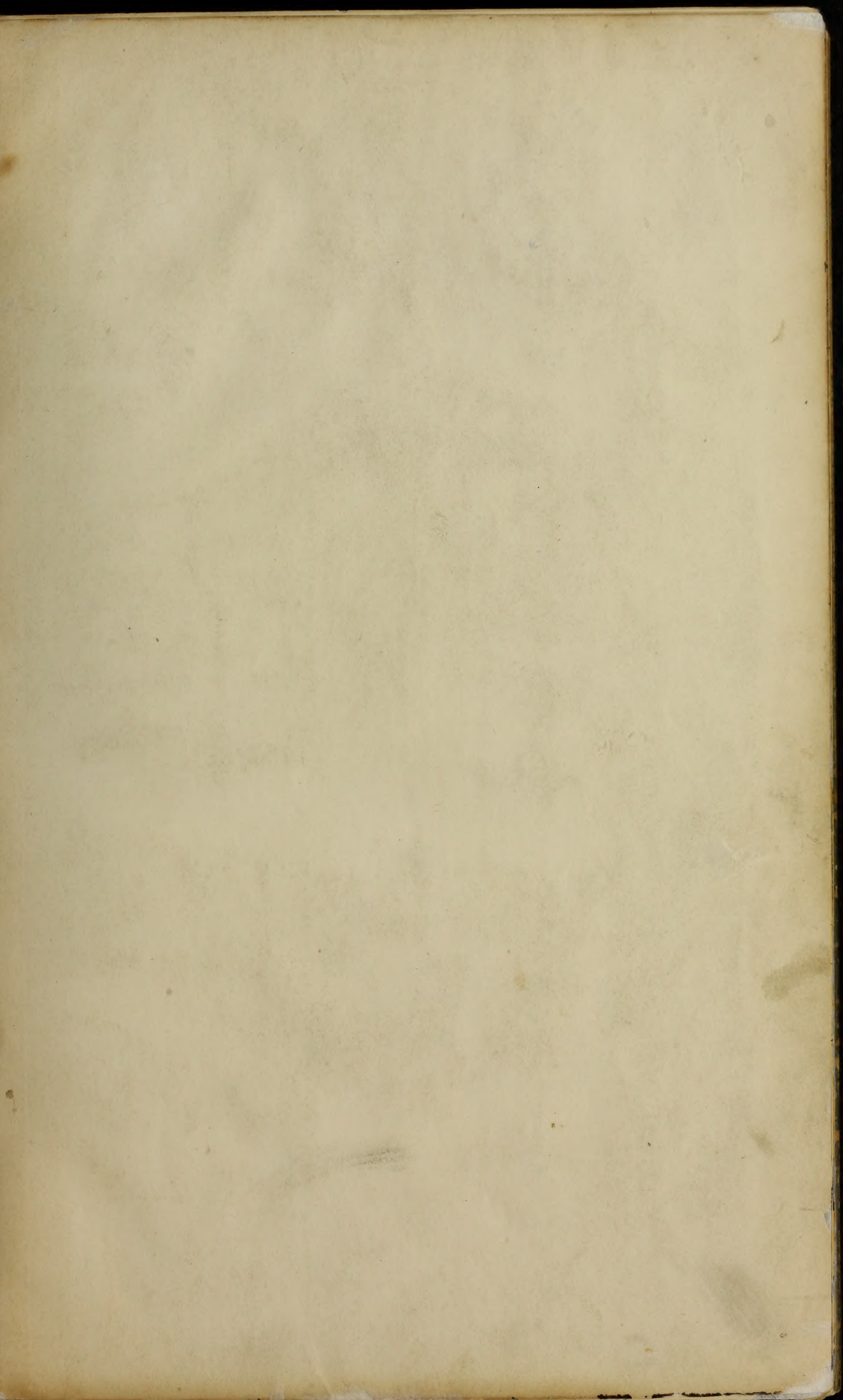


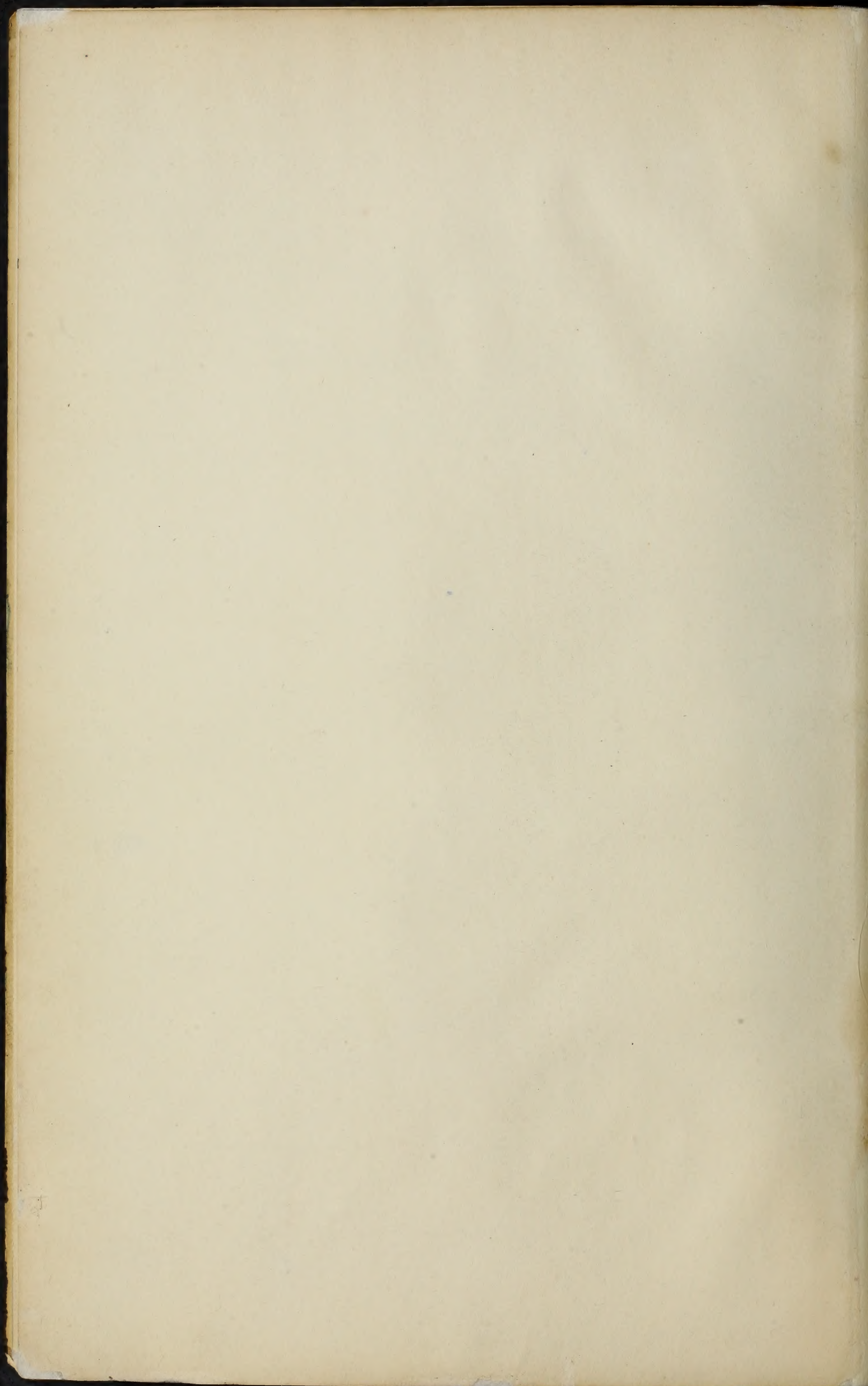
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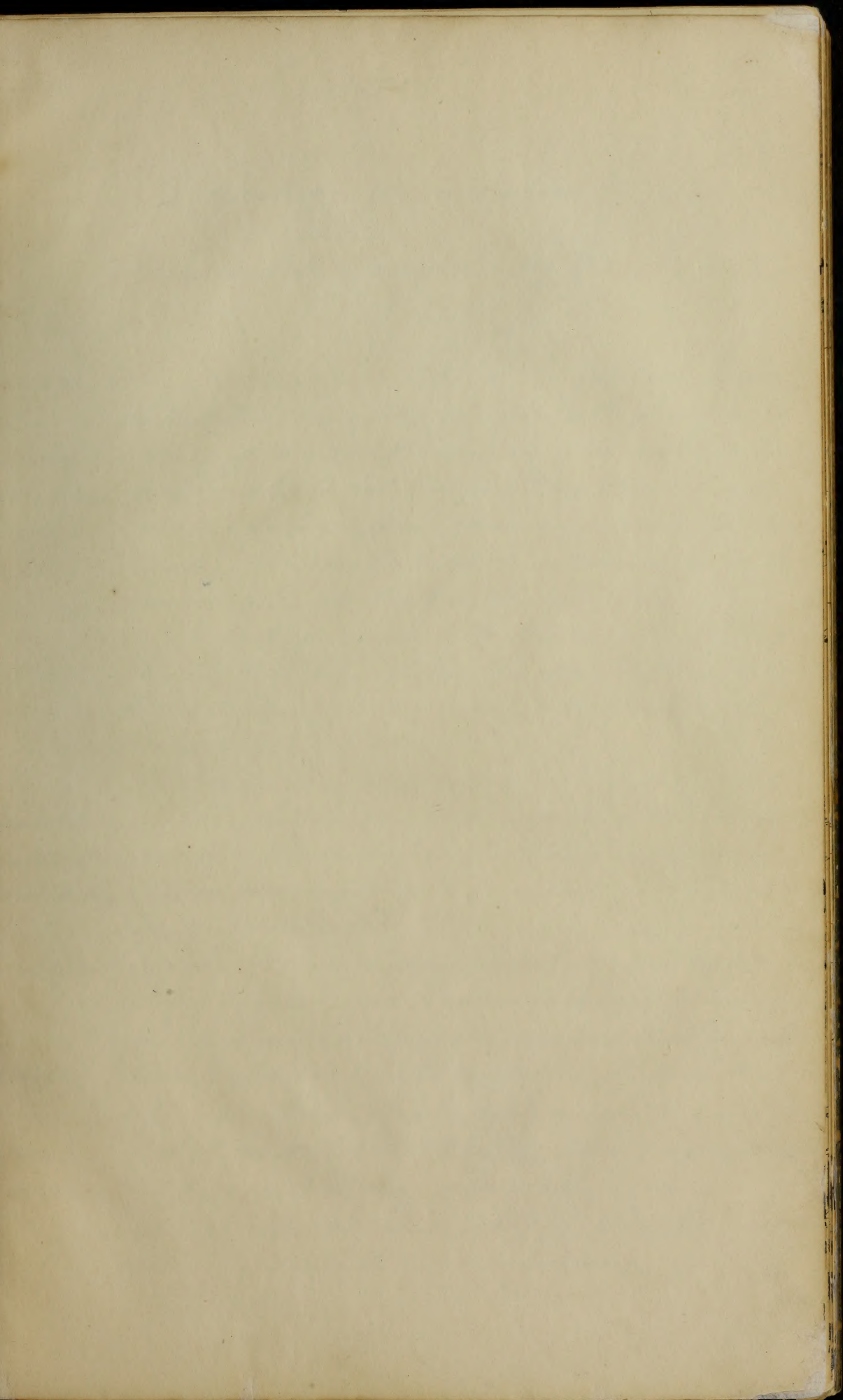
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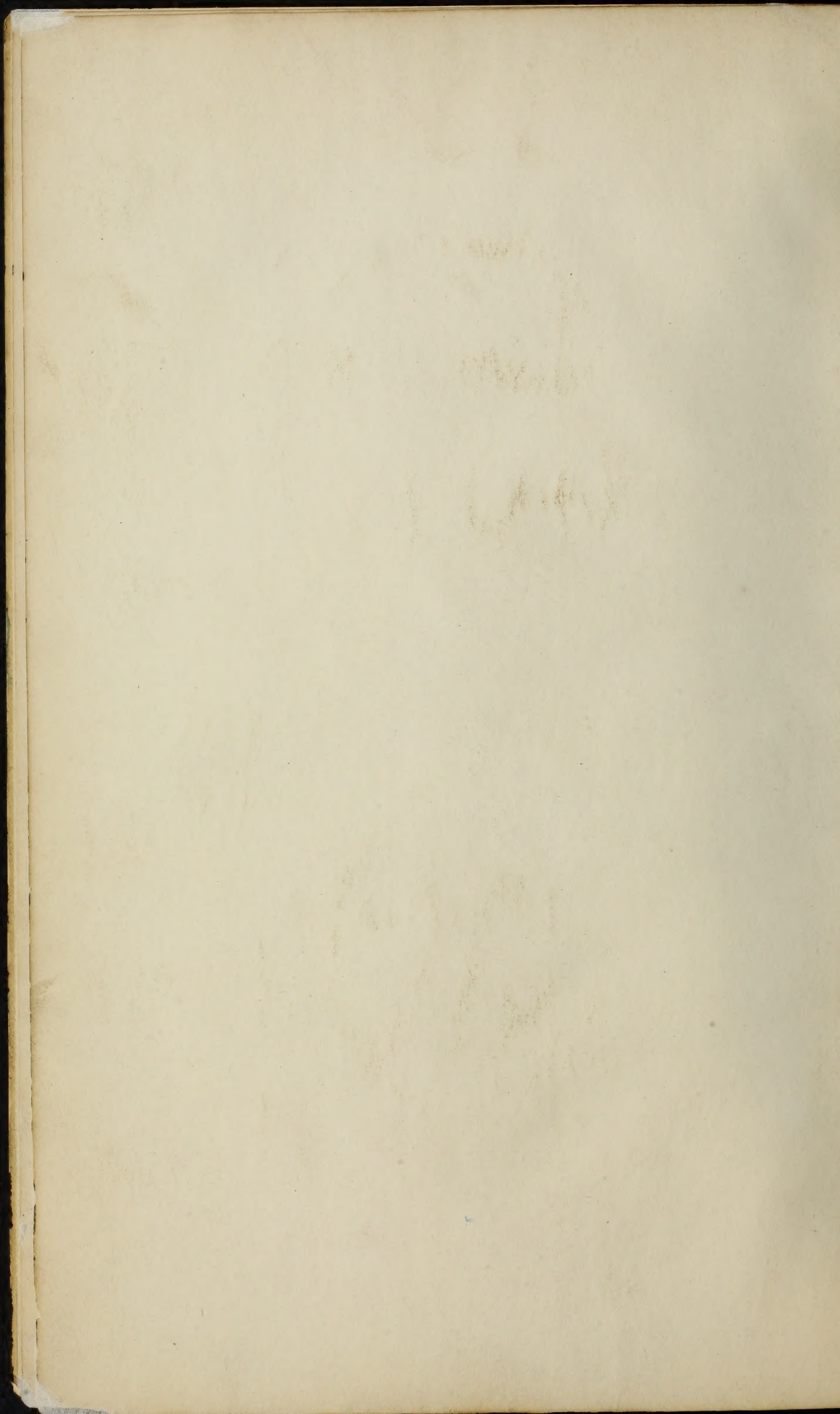
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Minutes of the Executive Committee of the American Anti-Slavery Society

Nov. 18

November 18. 1837

[Special Meeting]

The Executive Committee met on a call issued on the
Special occasion of the reported murder of the Rev. Elijah P. Lovejoy,
Alton Mass. of Alton, Illinois, late Editor of the Alton Observer.

Present - Arthur Tappan (Chairman) - Simeon I. Jocelyn -
Theodore S. Wright - C. Wright Jr. - Lewis Tappan - La Roy
Sunderland - John Rankin - Charles Follen.

Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. J. S. Wright.
Theodore D. Weld - Milton Prayton - William M. Chace -
James G. Birney, being present, were invited to sit as
corresponding members.

The following resolutions were submitted and adopted.

~~Add. Res.~~ Resolved - That in view of the outrage at Alton, that has
on Alton resulted in the death of the Rev. Elijah P. Lovejoy a solemn
Public Meeting religious service be held on the day of in the
Broadway Tabernacle.

Com. of Arr. Resolved. That Lewis Tappan, James G. Birney, S. I. Jocelyn, Simeon
Jocelyn and Joshua Leavitt be a committee to make arrangements,
also to draft such resolutions as they may think the occasion call for.

H. Rights Resolved. That Charles Follen & C. Wright Jr. be a Committee to
prepare a small Extra Human Rights in view of the outrage at Alton.

Eman. in Resolved - That the Editor of the Emancipator be requested to put
mourning that paper for the ensuing week in mourning.

adj. Resolved - That this meeting adjourn to meet again at the
call of the Committee of arrangements.

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November 20. 1837. [Special Meeting]

Nov. 20.

The Committee met as above, on the call of the Committee of arrangements.

Present. A. Tappan, J. Rankin, J. S. Wright, S. R. Sunderland
J. S. Jocelyn, S. Tappan, E. Wright Jr, Dr. Follen, & S. Leavitt.
Opened with prayer.

Minutes read.

Com. of arr.

The Committee of arrangements for the public meeting on occasion of the murder of the Rev. E. P. Lovejoy, reported by reading their minutes, and their report was accepted - as follows:

report

The Committee of arrangements appointed Nov. 18th. 1837 with reference to a public meeting on occasion of the reported murder of the Rev. E. P. Lovejoy at Alton. Ill. met Nov. 19; present

Mrs. Follen, Jocelyn, Birney, S. Tappan

Green to preach

Resolved. That the Rev. Uriah Green be requested to deliver a funeral Discourse next Friday evening.

That the Chairman address a letter to him this evening.

That the Chairman select a Digest & submit it to the next meeting of the Committee.

That the declaration of sentiments by our late brother Lovejoy be read on Friday evening.

That Dr. Follen & E. Wright Jr. be a comm. to prepare a Hand bill to be put up in the City containing the sentiments of the public Press.

Adjourned to meet on Monday 20th inst. at 12 o'clock at 143 Napan St.

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At an adjourned meeting of the Committee of arrangements. present, Messrs. Follen, Jocelyn, Birney & S. Tappan.

The Chairman reported that the Broadway Tabernacle had been engaged.

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Resolved, That in case Mr. Green cannot be here to preach on Friday evening, the Chairman be requested to procure a substitute, with the understanding that Mr. Cox or Mr. Duffield be invited.

Resolved - That the pulpit be covered with black cloth. The Chairman reported a Hymn suitable for the introduction of the services.

Resolved. That the same be approved.

Resolved. That the Chairman select a funeral Dirge to be sung before the Discourse, advising with Mr. Hastings on the subject.

Resolved - That Mr. Duffield be requested to read Selections from the scriptures.

Resolved. That the Rev. The^o. S. Wright be requested to offer the prayer.

Resolved. That Mr. Seavitt be requested to read Mr. Lovejoy's Declaration of Sentiments.

Resolved. That the order of services be printed in a hand bill to be distributed among the audience.

Resolved - That a Collection be made for the widows of the orphan children of our murdered brother.

Resolved that a set of resolutions be prepared and presented to the Ex. Com. for their adoption.

Resolved - That the following be the order of services -

1. Hymn
2. Reading of Scriptures by Rev. Geo. Duffield
3. Prayer by Rev. T. S. Wright
4. Funeral Dirge
5. Reading of Mr. Lovejoy's Dec. of Sentts by Rev. Seavitt
6. Discourse by Rev. W. Green
7. Collection
8. Benediction

collection

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Resolved - That a meeting of the E. A. Com. be notified to meet this evening at 7 o'clock.

Resolved - That the meeting for Friday be advertised in several news-papers, to be

Signed by the Com. of Arrangements.

Resolved - That the meeting be held on Tuesday of next week, if that is not practicable, on such evening as the committee of arrangements may designate.

Resolutions

The preamble and resolutions reported by the Committee of Arrangements were then taken up and considered, article by article, and after discussion and amendment, were adopted, as follows:

Whereas, intelligence has been received by this Committee, that the Rev. Elijah P. Lovejoy, while defending his press, on the night of the 7th. instant, was by lawless men deliberately murdered, for his constancy in maintaining the right of free discussion and his devoted zeal in the cause of universal liberty -

Resolved - That in view of a transaction so bloody, so open, and tending so much to disgrace us as a people, it becomes the inhabitants of this land, every where, to hold solemn convocations before God; that, while they render thanks for his mercies, and make confession of their sins, they may supplicate him, that he will not yet turn away from a nation whose criminal indifference to the oppression of the slave has, at length, emboldened the lawless to the murder of the free. [

Resolved, That we recommend a similar course to our fellow citizens ^{everywhere} throughout the land

Resolved - That while we mourn for our departed brother, as the first martyr in the ~~cause~~ cause of Abolition in this nation, we praise God for the noble sentiments which he avowed, and the devotedness with which he offered himself on the altar of human rights

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Resolved - That public religious services be held in commemoration of this event, on Tuesday next in the Broadway Tabernacle in this city - and that a public Collection be there taken up for the widow and orphans of our deceased fellow citizen and brother, who are left dependent on others by the murder of the husband and the father.

Resolved, That we deem it due to the memory of the deceased to state, that he was slain, so far as we have knowledge of the facts, whilst engaged in defending his property and his rights in a manner justified by the laws of this and all other civilised Countries.

Resolved, That we deeply sympathise with the friends of human rights in Illinois, who have labored and suffered with the martyred Lovejoy, and ardently hope they may persevere with redoubled diligence in all Christian efforts to maintain the freedom of speech and the press, against the violence of American oppressors.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted, by the Secretary, to Mrs. Lovejoy, together with a deep expression of our Condolence with her and her bereaved little ones in this affliction.

The Committee for preparing an Extra Human Rights reported an address "to the Friends of Freedom, Law and Order", which was revised and approved.

Resolved, That instead of an extra, the regular number of the Human Rights be published forthwith.

Resolved, That the Committee of Arrangements be empowered to print and distribute as many copies of the paper as they think proper.

Adjourned

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Special

December 4. 1837 [Special Meeting]

The Committee met at the Society's Rooms, ~~Dec. 4.~~
on the call of three members, to consider certain
important resolutions.

Present. A. Tappan, J. S. Wright, E. Wright Jr.
S. Tappan. S. W. Sunderland. J. Wanklin. H. B. Stanton
J. Seavitt. S. S. Jocelyn Dr. Follen
Opened with Prayer.

Alton Messrs Lewis Tappan presented a series of resolutions
with reference to the fall of Mr. Lovejoy; which
Additional Res. were read and considered

Resolved, - That it be recommended to all the auxiliary
and other Anti-Slavery Societies, and all the friends
of Immediate Emancipation in the United States, to hold
Solemn public meetings on Friday the Twenty second
of December, to commemorate, in a suitable manner,
the martyrdom of the Rev. Elijah P. Lovejoy.

Resolved, - That a second edition of fifty thousand
copies of the monthly news-paper, entitled Human Rights
be published, in mourning, containing a biographical
Sketch of the late E. P. Lovejoy; the effort made by him,
amidst obloquy, violence, loss of property, and at the
peril and final sacrifice of his life, to sustain a
religious newspaper to advocate the Bible, Tract,
Mission, Temperance and Anti-Slavery cause; his
Declaration of Sentiments, published July 20th 1837,
and for maintaining which he was murdered; the
history of the mobs at St. Louis, St. Charles and Alton,
that resulted in the destruction of the press in four
repeated instances, in the murder of an eminently
devoted editor, citizen and Christian, in the prostration
of law and the subversion of civil and religious rights
before an infuriated and blood-thirsty mob; the corres-
pondence of the martyred Lovejoy, while menaced with
insult and death, in the presence of his family, and

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Surrounded with his intrepid associates; with an appeal to the American people and the civilized world; that through the agency of the auxiliaries and individual exertion the same man be scattered through the length and breadth of the land.

Resolved, - That we recommend the publication of a ~~Memor~~ of the late Rev. E. P. Lovejoy, containing a biography, history of his efforts and sacrifices in defence of order, law, liberty, and religion, with an account of his martyrdom, and his portrait prefixed; the profits of the work to be for the benefit of the widow and her orphan children.

Resolved, - That in view of the developments continually making of the atrocities of Slavery, its tendency to overthrow our social institutions, to destroy freedom of speech, the liberty of the press, and the rights of man, to bring the laboring classes in the free States into abject and unrequited servitude, to disgrace this nation before the civilized world, to bring reproach upon Republican institutions, to destroy the union of these States, to obliterate the Christian religion, and to bring down upon our Country the judgments of Almighty God; the members of the Anti-Slavery Societies are exhorted to make new efforts and sacrifices to promote the holy cause, and to maintain their moral warfare against this system of crime and pollution, until the nation shall be delivered from Slavery, or the friends of human rights shall perish in the attempt to save their Country from ruin.

Resolved, That a fearful responsibility rests upon editors, who have misrepresented the doctrines and measures of abolitionists, and excited misguided individuals to interrupt their meetings, and menace their persons, property and lives; upon those men of influence who have winked at the insults and injuries committed by mobs; upon politicians and others who have slandered the characters and principles of Anti-Slavery men; upon those magistrates who have

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Dec. 4 refused to protect the property and lives of citizens acting
 in accordance with the Constitution and laws, and to
 Atton punish those who have unlawfully assembled to insult,
 Addit. res. injure, and slay innocent men; upon those ministers
 of the gospel who have applied unjustifiable epithets
 and attributed false and unworthy motives to abolitionists;
 and contributed to form a depraved public sentiment in
 opposition to Anti-Slavery societies and their members. That
 has manifested itself in the scenes of lawless violence that
 have disgraced this country, and resulted in the murder
 of an amiable, public-spirited, and highly useful citizen,
 and a devoted minister of the gospel; and that the friends
 of order have a right to expect, that warned by past
 experience, these classes of citizens will hereafter
 approve themselves as the uncompromising supporters
 of constitutional rights and free principles.

Resolved, - That it be enjoined upon the permanent
 and local agents of the Society to make new and
 vigorous efforts to enlighten the mind of the community
 respecting the doctrines and measures of the American
 Anti-Slavery Society, and upon the financial agents
 and collectors to solicit immediately a large increase
 of funds, to the end that the number of lectures may
 be increased, and the publications speedily and
 greatly augmented.

Resolved - That in view of the facts that nearly three
 millions of the inhabitants of the United States are, to use
 the language of the South Carolina and Georgia Synod
 of the Presbyterian Church, in such a moral and religious
 condition that "they may be justly be considered the
 heathen of this Christian country, and will bear a
 comparison with heathens in any country in the world";
 that large numbers of them are held in this condition by
 professed Christians, and ministers; that slavery is

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publicly defended from the Bible by many of its professed exponents; that until ministers and churches in the free States are awakened to the sin of slavery, and the imperious necessity of its immediate abandonment, it is comparatively ineffectual to appeal to the hearts and consciences of slaveholders in slave States; and that an excellent and beloved minister of the Lord Jesus Christ has been murdered, for exerting himself to open the eyes of his countrymen to the iniquity of slavery, the rights of the enslaved, and the dangers of the Church and nation; the blood of a martyred brother cries from the grounds to a large number of ministers and others. Professing abolitionists, who have heretofore declined a public advocacy of this cause, and calls upon them now to stand forth, in the face of all opposition, as the fearless defenders of their holy principles; that by pleading the cause of the suffering and the dumb, they may save the country and the Church of Christ in this nation.

Resolved. That a just regard for the common security, for the sacredness of human life, for the authority of law, and for the character of our nation, imperiously requires from the citizens of every State, an appeal to the civil authorities of the State of Illinois, to take speedy and effectual measures for a legal investigation of the late riots at Alton, issuing in the repeated destruction of the press, whose freedom is so fully guaranteed by the Constitution of that State, and of the United States, and finally ending in the loss of life of two citizens.

Resolved, - That the resolutions be referred to Messrs. L. Tappan, Follen and Sewitt to correct and that they be signed by the President and Rec. Sec. & be published in the Emancipator.

Resolved. That the list of Agents proposed be referred to the Com. on Agencies to report at the regular meeting.

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The Executive Committee met at the Society's Rooms
Dec. 7. 1837.

Present. A. Tappan. D. D. Dunbar, J. J. Bradburn, Hearitt,
J. H. Wright, E. Wright Jr. J. E. Canish L. Tappan H. B. Stanton

Opened with Prayer

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read
and approved.

Professor Morgan of the Oberlin Institute & Rev J. C.
Beeman of Middletown, ~~Conn.~~ were invited to sit with us.

Treasurer

The Assistant Treasurer reported, that there
has been received, since May 9. \$17,484.62

Paid out

18,451.93

Treasury overdrawn \$967.31

Agency Com

The Agency Committee reported by reading their
minutes. ~~Whereupon~~

Agents

Resolved, That Dr. Le Moine, Rev. Asa Skinner,

Lemoine

Rev. Mr. Sprout of Allegany town Rev. Mr. Barris of

Skinner

Rev. Mr. West of Meadville be appointed

Sprout

agents, on such terms as are equitable; their
commissions to be sent to the Executive Committee
of the State Society at Pittsburgh, to be by them sent
to so many of these gentlemen as they think expedient,
and as can procure their support on the field
occupied by that committee.

Coffin

correspondence

Resolved, That the Cor. Sec. correspond with Mr. Coates
on the subject of appointing Joshua Coffin to an agency

Resolved, That the following persons be appointed
agents, of the Society, with salaries as annexed to their
names, and their travelling expenses

Lovejoy

Rev. A. C. Lovejoy, Clatsop Me.

\$600.

Pomeroy

Rev. A. S. Pomeroy, Bangor .. to be corresponded
with as to salary

G. E. Adams

Rev. Geo. E. Adams Brunswick

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Root	E. D. Barber Esq. Middlebury Vt. to be corresponded with	
Barber	Rev. S. May & S. Pitkin Mass.	\$800
May	Rev. Dr. S. Esqood Springfield "	\$1000
Orgood	Rev. J. Parker Cambridgeport " to be corresponded with	
Parker	A. W. Brown Esq. Lynn "	"
Brown	Wendell Phillips Esq. Boston "	"
Phillips	Rev. Geo. Allen Shrewsbury Ms	\$800.
Allen	Rev. Abel Stevens, Providence R.I. to be corresponded with	
Stevens	Thomas W. Dorr "	"
Dorr	Rev. Eliza Galusha Perry Genesee Co. N.Y.	\$1000.
Galusha	Gen. Johnson Esq. Ithaca " to be corresponded with	
Johnson	E. D. Colver Esq. Union Village "	"
Colver	Rev. Thos. S. Wright New York	\$1000-
Wright	Rev. Geo. Beecher Ohio to be corresponded with	
Beecher	Rev. J. H. Dickey " "	"
Dickey	A. A. Guthrie Esq. " "	"
Guthrie	Rev. E. W. Beecher Jacksonville Fl.	"
Beecher	Rev. F. W. Graves Alton Ill.	\$600
Graves	Rev. Asa Turner Quincy "	\$600.
Turner	Rev. David Nelson Quincy "	\$600.
Nelson		

Resolved, - That the nomination of President Young be passed for the present.

to be corresponded with
Resolved, - That the Cor. Sec. be requested to correspond with these agents with regards to their fields of labor.

The Committee on Publications reported by reading their minutes. Approved

Resolved, To approve the issuing of 50,000 copies of the Human Rights for December.

circular
Resolved, That the secretaries be directed to ^{prepare} ~~report~~ a Circular, as recommended by the Pub. Com. & when approved by that Com. 2500 copies be printed.

Resolved. That the Publishing agent be authorized to employ persons to sell the Dec. No. of Human Rights.

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The Committee on Finance reported, & on their
Finance Com nomination -

Benson, Fin. Agt. Resolved, - That George W. Benson be appointed
Financial Agent, for six months, at a salary of
\$1000 per annum. & travelling expenses.

W. L. Wilson Resolved. That Wilford L. Wilson be appointed
Financial Collector, for six months, at a salary of
\$25 per month & travelling expenses -

The Publishing Agent made no report
The Committee on Bills, People of Color, & District
of Columbia, made no report.

Com. on D.C. Resolved, - That the Com. on Dis. of Columbia
be requested, to make a written report at the next
meeting.

Cor. Sec. The Corresponding Secretaries reported.
Mr Wright read a letter from the Hibernian
Hibernian A.S. Anti-Slavery Society.

Resolved, - That our periodicals be regularly
sent to that Society.

Petitions Mr. Stanton reported the progress in correspondence
respecting petitions to Congress & State Legislatures
He also read letters from Messrs. Colver, Stone
and others.

Meetings in Mass. Resolved, - That Messrs. Birney & Stanton be
requested to attend the meetings at Springfield,
Northampton & Greenfield.

W. H. Johnson's Letter of inquiry was read from W. H. Johnson
Secretary of the Bucks Co. Pa. A. S. Society, inquiring
as to the views entertained by this Committee
respecting the defensive measures adopted by the
martyr'd Lovejoy.

Wright answers Resolved, - That E. Wright Jr. & S. J. Graham be a
committee to report an answer to the letter.

The Committee appointed on the Subject of

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Com. on Pub.

Meetings

Public Meetings in the City reported that the subject had been ~~chiefly~~ efficiently taken up by the Young Men's A. S. Society in the City, who propose to hold meetings once a fortnight; and asking to be discharged. They were discharged. Mr. Fisher of Union College, was nominated for a local Agency. Resolved, — That it be referred to the Committee on Agency, with power.

Harrington

A letter was read from Isaac Harrington, of Port Republic respecting Schools for the Free People of Color.

Resolved, That it is inexpedient for this Committee to engage in partial agencies of the character proposed.

J. C. Jackson

L. A.

J. C. Jackson of Mexico N. Y. was appointed a local Agent, on the usual terms.

A letter from North Carolina to the President was presented.

Letter from — ed.

N. Carolina

Resolved, — That it be published in the Emancipator suppressing names.

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Dec. 21.

The Committee met at the Society's rooms.
 Present, A. Tappan, J. Rankin, E. Wright Jr.
 S. S. Jocelyn, L. Tappan, J. Leavitt, D. Dunbar,
 L. R. Sunderland, J. S. Wright, Dr. Follen

The Meeting was opened with Prayer.

The minutes of three special meetings,
 and of the last regular meeting, were
 read and approved.

J. G. Birney Esq. & N. Southard were
 invited to sit with us.

Officers & Agents Resolved - That the officers & agents
 to sit with us, of the Society, when present, be authorized
 to sit with us, & take part in our deliberations.

Treasury

The Assistant Treasurer reported that
 there has been received since May 9. the
 sum of ————— \$19,535.47
 Paid out — — — — — 20,173.64
 Treasury overdrawn 638.17
 Received since last meeting \$ 2,050.85

Haitien A.S.S. The Treasurer reported a letter from the
 Secretary of the Haitien Anti Slavery Society,
 covering the invoice of four bags of coffee
 a donation from that society to this

Coffee

Resolved - That the treasurer be
 requested to receive & dispose of the coffee
 for the society

Reply

Resolved - That ~~that~~ the Secretary for
 Foreign Correspondence be requested to reply
 to the letter.

Agency com.

The Committee on Agencies reported.

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Com. on PubSouthard
Agency

The Committee on Publications reported by reading their minutes: whereupon—

Resolved — That N. Southard have charge of the loaning & cent-a-week systems; that his salary be \$833.34 a year, commencing Dec. 14, 1837, payable quarterly, together with his necessary traveling expenses on business of the society —

— It being understood that he is at liberty to devote one day every week to his private affairs, & that when ~~it~~ he shall devote the whole of his time to the concerns of the Society, the salary shall be \$1000 a year —

Salary

— Provided, that his salary & expenses shall be paid out of the funds to be raised by the Cent-a-week system.

Resolved — That Mr. Southard be at liberty to procure such books & blanks as may be necessary for himself & the treasurers & collectors to be appointed under the system he is to superintend.

Resolved — That 1500 copies be published of Rev. Beniah Green's sermon on the Death of Mr. Lovejoy, & that the Publishing Agent furnish the author 100 copies of the same.

Resolved — That 1000 copies additional of this week's Emancipator be published, for distribution among ministers in the New England States, under direction of the Editor.

Resolved — That 5000 copies be published of an Extra Emancipator, containing Lovejoy's Declaration of Sentiments, a sketch of his trials, & the sentiments of the public press respecting the Alton Massacre, for distribution in Illinois, under direction of the editor.

Extra for Ill.
5000 copies

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Thomas Kim - Resolved - That the Journal of Messrs. Kimball & Thome be published by this society, & that 2500 copies be printed, without being stereotyped, in the style of James' Christian Professor.

Knapp's proposal Resolved - That the Publishing Agent be authorized to contract with J. Knapp to print the work for us, at 30 cents per 1000 ems & 35 cents per token for prep work;

Mr. Knapp to have the liberty to print for his own use not exceeding 1000 copies after our 2500 copies are printed

Provided - That Mr. Knapp's copies shall be published in the same style & sold at the same price with ours.

Publications
ordered

Resolved - That 1000 copies be published of the Pamphlet, "Things for Northern Men to do".

500 of Jay's Inquiry

3000 of "What is Abolition."

3000 of "X Commandments"

1000 of A. S. Record, Vol. III. for binding

1000 of A. S. Record, Vol. I.

1000 of Slave's Friend, Vol. I.

A. S. Record
discont^d

Resolved - That the vote changing the character of the A. S. Record, be reconsidered, & that the the Record be discontinued as a monthly publication.

Subs supplied
with H. R.

Resolved - That the Publishing Agent supply the subscribers to the Record with the Human Rights, or such other publications & as may be preferred, to the value of their arrears.

Bible Arg^t
for min.
thd. stud.

Resolved - That the Publishing ~~Agent~~ ^{Agent} be directed to advertise that the Bible Argument will be presented to every minister &

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theological student who will apply for the same, without expense to us.

Channing in
Depos to Leg.

Resolved - That Mr. Stanton be authorized to send Channing's Letter to Clay, to the members of the Legislature of Pennsylvania, & to the legislatures of other states when in session.

Bronze likeness
of Lovejoy

Resolved - That Mr. Jocelyn be a committee to procure 1000 copies in Bronze of the profile likeness of Mr. Lovejoy.

Engraving

Resolved - That Mr. Jocelyn be a committee to procure an engraved profile or other likeness of Mr. Lovejoy.

Daily Papers

Resolved - That the editor of the Emancipator be authorized to subscribe for the Journal of Commerce, Commercial Advertiser, & a Washington paper, in addition to the Evening Post.

Nat. Intell.

Resolved - That three members of the Publishing Committee be a quorum, for the transaction of business, at all meetings regularly called.

Finance Com.

The Committee on Finance reported by reading their minutes. - Whereupon

Salaries

Resolved - That the salaries of G. H. Durfee, George Russell, & Joseph Tillson, Financial Collectors, be \$500 a year, and travelling expenses.

Comm. on Bills

The Committee on Bills reported by reading their minutes, & showing the approval of bills to the amount of \$3145.06

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Com. on D.C.

The Committee on District of Columbia & People of Color made no report.

Pub. Agent

The Publishing Agent made his report

Reply to Johnson

The Committee to reply to the letter of W. H. Johnson, reported that they had not agreed upon a report.

Com. discharged

Resolved - That the Committee be discharged.

Com. on Circular

The Committee on a Sheet circular made no report

Cor. Sec.

Mr. Birney, Cor. Sec. reported sundry letters & other communications.

Weld declines

Mr. Weld declines going to Washington, partly on the ground of his health, & partly from a belief that but little good can be done until Congress is prepared to consider the prayer of the petitioners.

Osgood

Dr. Osgood declines a permanent agency, on the ground that he thinks he can better promote the cause in his present situation.

Putnam

A letter from Rev. A. Putnam, offering to go to Washington for his expenses. Declined.

Papers

Resolved That the Secretaries be authorised to send our papers to individuals where they think it will promote the cause.

Reply to Johnson
revised again

On motion, the letter of W. H. Johnson was then read, together with the reply prepared by Mr. Wright, - after discussion, the whole was referred to Messrs. E. Wright Jr., J. L. & Follen,

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to prepare an answer & publish it in the next Emancipator.

J. Coffin

A letter from Joshua Coffin, with reference to his appointment as agent, was referred to Messrs Leavitt, Wright & Jocelyn.

W. Phillips
Law of Slavery

A letter from Wendell Phillips Esq. giving reasons why he could not undertake to prepare a volume on the Law of Slavery, was referred to the Publishing Committee.

Archy Moore

A motion to exclude Archy Moore from the list of books kept on sale at the office was laid on the table for consideration.

Commemoration
Meeting Expenses

Resolved - That the expenses of the Commemoration Meeting at the Tabernacle be paid out of the funds of the Society.

List of Petitions

Resolved - That the editor of the Emancipator be authorised to procure a daily list of the petitions presented in Congress, having reference to Slavery.

Asst Treasurer's

Letter
con^t

The Treasurer reported a communication from the Assistant Treasurer.

Resolved - That the appointment of R. G. Williams as Assistant Treasurer be continued till the close of the year.

referred

Resolved - That the subject of Assistant Treasurer be referred to the Treasurer & L. Tappan, to consider & report thereon.

Adjourned. Joshua Leavitt, Pres. Sec.

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January 4th, 1838 -

Jan. 4.

The Committee met at the Society's rooms.

Present, A. Tappan, S. S. Jocelyn,
L. Tappan, J. Rankin, H. B. Stanton,
J. Leavitt, E. Wright Jr., J. S. Wright

The meeting was opened with prayer
The ~~meeting~~ minutes of the last
meeting were read & approved.

The following officers & agents were
present; W. Gates, N. Southard, R. G. Williams,

Treasury

The Assistant Treasurer reported that
there has been received in cash since
May 9th ————— \$22,453.65

G. Smith's check Gerrit Smith's check, due Mar, 1st, 1,000

Total ————— 23,453.65

Paid out ————— 23,549.74

Treasury overdraw 96.09

Received since last report \$3,918.18

Agency Com.

The Agency Committee reported
on their recommendation the
following local agents were ap-
pointed on the usual terms, viz.

L. A.

Burt

Chipman

Miner

Hurlbut

Lathrop

Miller

Parker

Rev. Jarius Burt, Canton, Conn.

Rev. R. M. Chipman, Harwinton "

Rev. Nath^l Miner, Millington "

Rev. J. Hurlbut, Curtisville, Miss.

Rev. D. W. Lathrop, Elyria, Ohio

Rev. D. Miller, Mecca, "

L. Parker, Vernon, "

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Finance Com.

re.

The committee on Finance made no report. Thro. Com. on Bills, Finance, People of Color Library.

Com. on Pub.

The Committee on Publications reported & in ~~consequence~~ pursuance of their recommendation, it was

Southard's

circular.

Resolved - That N. Southard be authorized to print a small circular for his Collectors, under direction of the Committee on Finance.

Stanton's in-

circular on Pet.

Resolved - That Mr. Stanton be authorized to issue a circular respecting the late Resolution of the House of Representatives relating on the subject of petitions, under direction of the Committee on the District.

Wythe

2000 copies

Resolved - That 2000 copies be published in pamphlet-form, of the articles of Wythe, & distributed under direction of the Committee on the Dist. of Col.

Slave's Friend

cuts

Resolved - That the Publishing Agent be authorized to purchase cuts for the Slave's Friend.

ve. Post punch

Resolved - That the Publishing Agent be authorized to purchase 100 copies of each No. of the Eve. Post containing the letters of Wythe, for distribution.

James Williams

Narrative

Whittier wrote

Resolved - That J. G. Whittier be employed to write a narrative of the life & escape of a fugitive slave now in this neighborhood, & that the same be published under direction of the Publishing Committee, with a portrait & other embellishments.

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~~Dec~~ Jan. 4H. Rights
50,000

Resolved - That instead of 50,000 copies of the next Human Rights, 5,000 be issued in addition to the usual number.

Com. on D.C.
report

The Committee on the District of Columbia reported by their minutes, that the business coming within the province of this committee having been done in other committees, we have no measure to recommend. Approved

J. Coffin
report

The Committee on the renewed application of Joshua Coffin for an agency reported that they find no evidence against Mr. Coffin's moral character, but are of opinion that it is inexpedient at present to appoint him to an agency. Approved

Com. on
Asst's Treas.
report.

The Committee on the Assistant Treasurership reported that the duties of Assistant Treasurer & Publishing Agent ought to be permanently united & discharged by one person.

cont?

Approved & the Committee continued with the addition of Messrs E. Wright & Leavitt.

Sheet circular

Mr. Wright reported a draft of a circular for a sheet -

in Emanc.

Resolved - that it be first published in the Emancipator.

Stanton on Pet.

Mr. Stanton reported the progress making in the circulation of petitions

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to Congress & the State Legislatures, and the financial operations.

Letters

He also read or recited sundry legislative letters, from Messrs. Cushing, Slade, Foot, Phelps, Woodbury, Benson, Stem, Huntington, Appleton, Webb, J. C. Lovejoy, A. Dresser, Gov. Lamon, Blood, &c.

Fairbanks

salary

Howells

Dresser

Resolved - That the salary of Mr. Fairbanks, Financial Agent, be \$700 a year; that of Mr. Howells be \$600 a year; & that of Mr. Dresser be \$8 a week while engaged in the service of the society; and traveling expenses in all cases.

Birney's bills

Mr. Birney's expenses to ^{Farmington, Conn.} ~~Middlebury~~ were ordered to be paid, \$9.66 —

Pub. Ag.

The Publishing ^{Agent} ~~Committee~~ made no report.

Legal opinions

required

Const. & Sl.

Resolved - That the Cor. Sec's. be requested to obtain the legal opinions of several eminent jurists in different states (provided it can be done without expense) touching the unconstitutionality of the acts of Congress relating to fugitive slaves - the rights of the free States over persons within their limits - and the position that slaveholders have no right to ^{hold} their slaves under the constitution of the United States, with a view to a publication of the same for the information of the people.

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Archy Moore
referred to Pub. Com.

~~A resolution~~ The resolution respecting the sale of "Archy Moore" was called and referred to the Publishing Committee.

Gates' Inquiry
to Pub. Com.

Mr. Gates submitted an inquiry respecting the publication of his work on "Unequal Laws."

to Pub. Com.

Resolved — That it be referred to the Publishing Committee, with powers ~~not~~

Thos. Clarkson's
Portrait

An elegant engraved portrait of Thomas Clarkson was presented to the Committee, by Mr. Mabbs, of New Jersey.

Thanks

Resolved — That the thanks of the committee be presented to the donor.

framed.

Resolved — That Mr. Jorelyn the publishing agent be a committee to procure a suitable frame for the picture.

Adjourned, Leavitt Sec.

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January. 18. 1838 —

The Committee met at the office
 Present, A. Tappan, L. R. Sunderland,
 L. Tappan, J. Rankin, E. Wright Jr. & J.
 Leavitt, T. S. Wright,
 Also, J. G. Birney, J. G. Whittier, R. G. Williams

The meeting was opened with prayer.
 The minutes of the last meeting
 were read & approved.

Treasury

The Treasurer reported the amounts
 received since May 9th. \$24,486.88
 Amount of Disbursements 24,612.10
 Treasury overdraw 125.22
 Received since last meeting 1033.23
 Paid out since " " 1062.36
 Excess of Disbursements 29.13

Agency Com.

The Agency Committee reported by
 their minutes, & on their recommendation

F. Blood

Resolved — That Rev. Friend Blood, of
 Vermont, be appointed an Agent of
 the Society, at a salary of \$7 per week
 & his traveling expenses, he agreeing
 to raise his own salary.

C. L. Remond

Resolved — That Charles L. Remond
 be appointed an assistant agent to
 Mr. Coddington, at a salary of \$25 per
 month & traveling expenses.

Com. on Pub.

The Committee on Publications
 reported by reading their minutes —
 Whereupon it was

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Archy Moore
excluded

Resolved - That the work entitled Archy Moore be not any longer sold at the office.

Order reversed

Resolved - That the Pub. Agent request Mr. Knapp to withhold the copies ordered of the revised edition, & send a single copy for examination.

Birney to pre-
pare explan.

Resolved - That Mr. Birney be requested to prepare a statement for publication of the reasons of this decision.

~~Resolved - That~~

Finance Com.

The Finance Committee reported by reading their minutes, ~~whereupon~~

The Comm. on Dist. of Col., on Bills, on People of Color, & A. S. Library, made no report.

Abst. Treas.
Report

The Committee on the Assistant-Treasurership reported, & their report was accepted.

Williams resig

report.

Mr. Williams tendered his resignation of the office of Publishing Agent & Assistant Treasurer.

^{They report of the committee was adopted, as follows:}
Whereas Mr. Williams has informed us that he cannot discharge the duties of the Publishing Agent & Assistant Treasurer, & has intimated his wish to be released from the same, & whereas the committee are of opinion that a different arrangement of duties would better accord with his views & the interests of the Society —

"Resolved - That the Committee

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confidence
employed
Agent for Pub.

have undiminished confidence in Mr. Williams' zeal, industry & fidelity during the time he has been in the service of the Society.

"Resolved - That we recommend to the Executive Committee to employ Mr. Williams, if he consents thereto, exclusively in extending the circulation of our periodicals, & the sale of our books, with the title of Agent for Publications, to act under the direction of the Committee on Publications.

W. M. Chase
Pub. Agt
As. Treas.

"Resolved - That, in case this arrangement should go into effect, William M. Chase ^{be appointed} as Publishing Agent & Assistant Treasurer.

(Com. on Pub.)

"Resolved - That the Com. on Publication be instructed to confer with Mr. Williams respecting the new agency, terms, &c."

resig. accepted

It was then also.
"Resolved - That Mr. Williams' resignation be accepted, & that he be requested to continue to act until a successor is ready to take his place.

"Resolved - That the Committee on Publications be instructed to confer with Mr. Chase respecting his salary, services, &c.

Birney. Letters

Mr. Birney, Cor. Sec. presented a number of letters, from Messrs. E. Beecher, Greaves, A. Turner, &c., in Illinois.

"Resolved - That Mr. Birney be re-

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Birney to
report on Illinois

Comm.

requested to inquire & report his views of
what should be done for Illinois.

Mr. Birney was also requested to con-
fer with friends in Connecticut as to the
time for holding a State Convention

Comm. on Pub.

Price of Emanc-
ipator

Press & types

Resolved - That the Committee
on Publications be instructed to inquire
& report respecting the price of the Emanc-
ipator.

Resolved - That the same committee
inquire into the expediency of purchasing
a Napier Press & printing office for the
American Anti-Slavery Society

Southard's cir-

cular

Resolved - That Mr. Leavitt
confer with Mr. Southard respecting the
form of his circular.

Fisher

referred to Cor. Sec.

The letters respecting Mr. Fisher
presented by Mr. T. S. Wright, were
referred to the Cor. Sec. to inquire.

Porter, money
sent

The case of money sent to Mr. Porter
& lost was referred to the Publishing Agent,
for further inquiry.

Pub. office

assistance

Resolved - That the employment
of assistance in the Publication
office be referred to the committee
on Publications.

Adjourned -

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The committee met at the Society's Rooms,
Present, A. Tappan, S. S. Joubert, L.
Tappan, J. Rankin, S. E. Cornish, J.
Dunbar, J. Leavitt.

The meeting was opened with prayer
The minutes of the last meeting
were read and approved.

Lovejoy, present Rev. Joseph C. Lovejoy, of Maine, and
Owen Lovejoy, of Alton, being present, were
invited to sit with us.

Treasury The Treasurer reported that there has
been received since May 9. \$27.096.35
Paid out " " " 26.882.67
Balance in Treasury . 212.68
Received since last report 2.609.47
Paid out " " " 2.271.57
Received more than paid 337.90

Agency Com. The Committee on Agency reported
by reading their minutes.

Com. on Pub. The Committee on Publications re-
ported by reading their minutes,

Whereupon it was ~~resolved~~

Chace Resolved - That should Wm. M. Chace
accept the office of Publishing Agent & As-
sistant Treasurer, he be allowed for the first
year \$600, & if he be continued in office, \$700
for the second year, & \$800 for the third.

Agent for Pub. allowance Resolved - That the Agent for Publica-
tions be allowed one dollar for each new
subscriber he may obtain for the Emancipator, who shall pay for one year's sub-
scription in advance.

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Agent for Pub.
allowance

Resolved — That he be allowed a discount of 30 per cent from the retail prices of all books sold by him, he paying all expenses.

H. Rights, 5000
for Com.

Resolved — That 5000 extra copies of H. Rights for Feb. be published, & distributed in Connecticut under the direction of R. G. Williams & W. M. Chace.

D. L. Child
book on
Slave Laws.

Resolved — That the offer of D. L. Child Esq. to prepare a book on Slave Laws for \$300 be accepted.

Cuts for Emanc.

Resolved — That the editor of the Emancipator be authorized to purchase cuts, to be used in the paper, to an amount not exceeding \$25.

Emanc. for South
Exchanges.

Resolved — That 100 extra copies be published, of the Emanc. containing an article soliciting newspapers in the slave states to exchange.

Com. Prices
to be fixed by
Com. on Pub.

Resolved — That the Com. on Pub. be empowered to fix the prices of our publications.

Com. on Pub.

Southard's pamphlet.

Resolved — That Mr. Southard's pamphlet, "Why work for the Slave", be published as a tract, under direction of the Pub. Com.

Extra Emanc.
in Congress.

Resolved — That J. Leavitt & J. D. Weld be requested to prepare an Extra Emancipator containing the substance of the debates in Congress this session on subjects connected with slavery.

Why the stereotypes

Resolved — That the pamphlet of Why be published stereotyped, under direction of the author.

Appeal to Cotton

Resolved — That 1000 copies extra of the Emancipator containing the Appeal

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to the citizens of Alton, be published, and circulated in Illinois by the editor.

Southard

Resolved - That N. Southard be requested to prepare a small tract on the results of Immediate Emancipation.

Southard results

Whittier

Plan for S.D.

A.S. Library

A statement was presented from J. G. Whittier, respecting a plan for the School District A. S. Library

Weld app-
ointed

Resolved - That Theodore D. Weld be associated with Mr. Whittier in preparing this Library, & that they be requested to prepare one or more volumes as soon as convenient.

Com. on Bills

The Committee on Bills reported by reading their Minutes.

Com. on D.C.

The Committee on the District of Columbia made no report.

Com. on F.P.C.

The Committee on the Free People of Color reported, that by their direction, Mr. Gates Yates to Phila. had proceeded to Philadelphia, & was engaged to publish his pamphlet on Unequal Laws on his own account.

Pamphlet on
Unequal Laws
500 copies

Resolved - That 500 copies of the pamphlet be purchased for the society.

Office regulations

to Com. on Pub.

Resolved - That the regulations of the office be referred to the Com. of Pub. with power.

Hieroglyphics

Resolved - That the Pub. Com. be empowered to publish Mr. Leavitt's Hieroglyphical chart on a sheet.

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Agency for
Em. Slaves,
referred to
Com. and P.C.

Resolved - That the Com. and Free People of
color be instructed to consider & report on
the subject of establishing an agency for the
relief & encouragement of Emanci-
ipated slaves, with authority to confer with
the Manumission Society if they think
proper; & to report a plan if they judge
favorably of the subject.

Com. of Arrangements Resolved - That Lewis Tappan, D.
Dunbar, J. Leavitt, S. E. Cornish & S. S. For-
dyce be a Committee of Arrange-
ments for the next Anniversary.

Office for Secretaries Resolved - That J. Rankin, J. Leav-
itt & R. G. Williams be a committee
with power to procure the necessary
accommodations for the Secretaries.

Huntington ^{of} Resolved - That Rev. Dr. Huntington,
of Connecticut, be appointed an
agent for two months, on the usual
terms.

J. B. Watson's Bill Thomas B. Watson's bill of traveling
expenses, amounting to \$12.00, was
ordered to be paid.

Adjourned

Leavitt, Rec. Sec.

The Ex. Com. met at the office
 Present, A. Zappan, L. R. S. S. S. S.
 J. Rankin, J. Leavitt, H. B. Stanton
 E. Wright Jr. S. E. Cornish, S. S. Jerebyer,
 L. Zappan.

Opened with prayer

Minutes read & approved.

The Treasurer reported that there has been received since May 9 - \$27,931.51

Paid out	"	"	"	28.055.60
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Treasury withdrawn \$124.09

Amount received since last report \$885.16

" paid out " " " 1.172,93

Paid more than rec^d \$ 287.77

The Committee on Agency reported by reading their minutes.

Resolved - That the following persons
be appointed Local Agents on the usual terms.

Grover

C Smith

Paine

Sanders.

Rev. C. P. Grosvenor, Rutland, Mass.

Rev. Carter Smith, Painesville, Ohio

James H. Paine Esq. " "

Rev. A. Saunders, Unionville ..

The Com. on Pub. reported by reading
their minutes - Whereupon

Resolved - That 2000 copies be printed

2000 copies of the Printer's Picture Gallery

Tracts printed Resolved — That an edition of 5000 copies
be published of the tract, "Why work for the Slave?"

Revised - That the tract "McConsegu",
be stereotyped & 3000 copies published

Resolved — That the Pub. Agent be directed

accounts to have the accounts all made up; an

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up' stock

debts

May 1.

~~all made up~~; an Account-Stock taken of all books, pamphlets, plates, cuts, &c. and of all debts due to or from the Society by the first day of May next.

The Committee on Bills & District of Col. made no report. Also the Library Com.

Com. on F. P. C.

The Committee on Free People of Color reported by reading their minutes, on which to Young Men's Soc. Resolved - That the N. Y. Young Men's Soc. be requested to take the care of Emancipated slaves under their charge and management, and confer with the Manumission Society should they think proper.

Com. of Arrangements

Ann. Meeting

May 2

Report

Apr. 26.

Abstract

May 5.

The Committee of Arrangements reported by reading their minutes; Whereupon Resolved - That the Annual Meeting for the transaction of the business of the American Anti Slavery Society be held in the Lecture Room of the Broadway Tabernacle on Wednesday, May 2, at 4 o'clock P. M.

Resolved - That the Annual Report be prepared ~~be prepared~~ by the 26th of April, & read in full in the Ex. Com.

Resolved - That the Abstract of the Report for the public meeting on Tuesday May 8, be prepared & read to the Com. of Arr. on the 5th.

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Finance Com.

Southard's
ManualCor. Sec.
Letters

The Committee on Finance reported by reading their minutes, whereupon Resolved - That Mr. Southard be authorized to publish a Manual for Collectors & a Quarterly List for Contributors.

The Cor. Sec's reported letters from W. H. Burleigh, giving account of formation of State Soc. in Del. & other labors.

of Lindley Coates, W. Yates, ^{E. M. Davis} & others, respecting things in Pa.

of Hon. L. King & Mr. Foot respecting the Leg. of Ohio

of Hon. F. James & others, respecting the Leg. of Pa. & the Convention

of Hon. Mr. Curtis, M. C. of N.Y. respecting Petitions

of Otis Allen respecting meetings in Albany & Petitions to N.Y. Leg.

of J. Croft, Wilcox, Dyer, Beechly & Burleigh, giving account of their labors.

of S. Webb respecting political action & other topics

of Hon. W. Slade, J. Blanchard, &c. respecting public men.

Sec's to the

Hartford Com.

Resolved - That the Secretaries be requested to attend the meetings at Hartford & Albany, if possible

Purvis' Letter

A letter of R. Purvis was reported on, with the reply of the Sec. in which the People of Color were urged to take measures to secure their rights.

Robinson

Letter of M. R. Robinson referred to referred to Com. on Agents.

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James Williams
abroad

Mr. Wright reported sundry letters
written abroad respecting James Wms.
& letters of inquiry respecting Haiti & W. I.

Haiti Inquiries Resolved — That the Sec. for. Cer.
be requested to make full inquiries res-
pecting the productions, commerce
& government of Haiti, diplomatic &
commercial relations, &c.

Williams Decl. A letter was presented from
Agent for Pub. R. G. Williams, declining ^{appointment to the} the a-
gency for circulating publications,
for reasons there stated.

Compensation
reconsidered

Resolved — That the resolutions
fixing the rate of compensation of
the agent for publications be recon-
sidered.

Salary

Resolved — That the agent for pub-
lications have a fixed salary, like
our other agents.

referred to Com. P.

Resolved — That the subject be re-
ferred to the Com. on Pub. to report a
suitable person for this agency, & that
Mr. Williams' letter be referred to the
same Committee.

Huntington
reconsidered

Resolved — That the vote appointing
Mr. Huntington agent be recon-
sidered.

Adj.

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March 1.

The Executive Committee met.

Present, L. Tappan, E. Wright Jr.
 S. S. Jocelyn, D. Dunbar, J. Rankin
 J. Leavitt, R. R. Sunderland, C. Allen
 Also, W. M. Chase & Geo. Russell

Opened with prayer

Minutes read & approved

The Treasurer read his report.

Received since May 9. \$28.89 2 - 56

Paid out " " 29.67 9 - 84

Treasury withdrawn \$787.28

Amount received since last report \$961.05

" paid out " " 1.624.24

Paid out more than received \$663.19

Agency Com.

The Agency Committee reported
 by reading their minutes. Approved

Com. on Pub.

The Com. on publications reported
 by reading their minutes. Whereupon

H. Friend
reduced

Resolved - That the ~~Com. on~~
~~Finance~~ monthly editions of the
 Slave's Friend be reduced to \$5.00 copies.

tracts

Danger & Safety
 Pro Slavery Bible

Resolved - That two small tracts
 be published, No 7, entitled 'Danger &
 Safety,' pp 24, & No. 8, 'Pro-Slavery Bible',
 pp. 8. 3000 copies each.

[N.B. These are instead of the
 small tract authorized at the last
 meeting, F "The Conqueror"]

R. G. Williams
 by Fin. Comm.

Resolved - That the Finance Com-
 mittee be empowered, if they think
 it expedient, to employ Mr. R. G. Will-
 iams till the 1st of May, in collecting funds.

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J. G. Whittier
to revise J. W. W.

5000 copies

Emanc. additional
for Ky.

Pub. Ag. not to
sell on credit

Jay's Inquiry
stereotyped
1000 copies

Jay's imprint

Resolved - That John G. Whittier
be requested to revise the Narrative
of James Williams, & a stereotype edit-
ion of 5000 copies be published.

Resolved - That 1000 additional cop-
ies of the Emancipator be published
with next week, containing debates in
the Legislature of Kentucky, & distrib-
uted in that state under direction
of the editor.

Resolved - That the Pub. Agent
be directed not to sell on credit any
publications, except to agents on
account.

Resolved - That the revised edition
of Judge Jay's Inquiry be stereotyped
and an edition of 1000 copies published
with John S. Jay's imprint, & that
the copy right be taken in the name of
Mr. Jay, & that he be allowed 75 copies
to distribute among his friends and as
many more as he may wish.

Rev. Joab

Seely, Fin. Agt.

Mr. Clark, do

The Finance Committee reported
by reading their minutes. ~~Approved.~~

Rev. Joab Seely ~~of Vermont~~ ^{of Vermont} Clark was
appointed a financial agent for
one year - to be compensated with
in regard to his salary & field of labor

William Clark, of Vermont, was
appointed a financial agent for one
year, on the same terms

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Foster.

Salary

Resolved - That Mr. Foster, the clerk in the office, be allowed \$100 a year in addition to his present salary.

The Committee on Bills, District of Columbia, Free People of Color, & Library made no report.

Secretaries

accommodations

The Committee on accommodations for the secretaries, reported that they had engaged the room in front of the office now occupied by them, for two years from May 1, at \$140 per year; & that the treasurer had signed the agreement ^{assurety} with the publishing agent.

Letters

Mr. Wright, Cor. Sec. reported sundry letters from

Otis Allen respecting proceedings at Albany, Conventions, Petitions & the constitutional questions.

George Storrs that he had ~~signed~~ ^{opened} an opening in Wm. Co. Conn.

- Resolved, accepting the appointment of a visitor to Mr. Codding Rev. J. Monteith, Local Agent, residing in Northern Ohio

L. Parker, - accepting L. A. in Ohio

Rev. A. Sabie, reporting the completion of his agency.

Rev. ^{Otis} Curtis, Chicago, accepting Local Agency.

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Furniture for
Office
Library
Com.

Resolved - That the Secretaries, ^{& Mr. Rankin}
be authorized to procure a case for
the Library, and suitable furni-
ture for the new office.

Elmore's
Letter to Birney

Mr. Birney transmitted a
letter from Hon. J. H. Elmore, M. C. writ-
ten on behalf of the South Carolina
Delegation in Congress, dated Feb. 16
proposing a series of inquiries res-
pecting the plans, principles, opera-
tions & designs of the Society - to
gether with a draft of an an-
swer. Much time was spent in
suggestions respecting the answer.

Birney to answer

Resolved - That Mr. Birney be
requested to finish the answer, & sign
it by order of the Executive Committee
& transmit it to Mr. Elmore.

Sturge, on W.C.

A present was received from Jos.
Sturge, of a volume entitled "The
West Indies in 1837" by J. Sturge & J. Harvey.

Thanks

Resolved - That the thanks of
the Committee be ^{returned} presented to
Mr. Sturge for his very acceptable gift.

Russell's letter

A communication from George
referred to Pub. Russell respecting the office of Pub.
Com. with publishing agent was referred to the
Com. on Publications, with power.

Adjourned

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March 15.

March 15.

The Committee Met -

Present, A. Tappan, L. R. Sunderland,
J. Rankin, J. S. Wright, J. E. Cornish,
L. Tappan, E. Wright Jr. H. B. Stanton, J.
Leavitt, S. S. Jocelyn, D. Dumber

Opened with prayer

Minutes read & approved

Rev. George Storrs, agent, & W. Dun-
aldson Esq, of Cincinnati, a member
of the Executive Committee of the Ohio
Society, were invited to sit with us.

The Treasurer reported, viz.

Received, since May 9. \$31.116.92

Paid out " " 30.639.87

Am't on hand \$477.05

Included in the above receipts is the
sum of \$1404.51 borrowed

Received since last report \$819.85

Paid out 960.03

Excess paid \$140.18 -

The Agency Committee reported
by reading their minutes - Whereupon -

Rev. Luther Lee, Fulton, N.Y.

" Joseph Morse, St. Johnsbury Vt.

" Arthur Granger, Meriden Ct.

" Harvey Husted, Bristol "

Gen. D. B. Brinsmade Washington "

Ow. Am M. Train, Milford "

" George C. Shepard, Stratford "

Dr. Jacob Jennings, Derby "

Hiram Cable, Esq, Farmington "

Rev. L. A. Sawyer, New Haven "

Rev. Peter Borein, Chicago, Ill

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A. Ballou,

L. A.

Com. on Pub.

G. Russell

Pub. Agt. & Asst.

Treas.

salary.

Extra for long.

resinded.

Slade's Speech

2000 copies

Wilox to pur-

chase Emanc.

James Williams

not stereotyped

Thomas Kimball

50 copies each

Record reprinted

Slave's Friend

vol. 3. bound.

Rev. John Ballou, Mendon, Mass. were appointed local agents for one year, on the usual terms.

The Committee on Publications reported by their Minutes. Whereupon

Resolved - That George Russell be appointed Publishing Agent & Assistant Treasurer, till the Anniversary, at a salary of \$1000 per annum.

Resolved - To rescind the vote for an Extra Emancipator respecting the doings of Congress.

Resolved - That the Publishing Agent subscribe for 2000 copies of Mr. Slade's Speech at \$30 per 1000.

Resolved - That the Publishing Agent be authorized to sell to Mr. Wilox Emancipators weekly, per copy, at the rate of \$1.25 a year, on condition that he will supply all the city subscribers as they have hitherto been supplied.

Resolved - That the 3rd Edition of James Williams be published without stereotyping.

Resolved - That the Publishing Agent be directed to present to Messrs. Thomas & Kimball 50 copies each of the Journal in the N.E.

Resolved - That 1000 copies be printed, of each of the following numbers of the Record - viz. Whole No. 25, 26, 30 & 35.

Resolved - That 500 copies be bound of Slave's Friend - Vol. 3.

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Quarterly Mag.
 assumed by Com.
 Price \$3.

agents allowance

Resolved - That the Committee will assume the publication of the Quarterly Magazine - The price to be three dollars per annum - size 250 pages 8vo. - Agents to be allowed 25 per cent for obtaining subscribers - out of the money received - and the work to be published as soon as a thousand subscribers are obtained.

Finance Com.

A. St. Clair

Fin. Ag.

salary

The Finance Committee reported by their Minutes - Whereupon
 Resolved - That Rev. A. St. Clair, of Massachusetts, be appointed financial agent for one year, at \$600 salary, & travel expenses.

The Committee on Bills, Papers of Color, District of Columbia and the Library made no report.

Com. of Arrangements

The Committee of Arrangements reported by their Minutes.

Cor. Sec.
 letters

The Corresponding Secretaries presented letters from

Mr. Fuller, of Massachusetts respecting the Legislature, & that the Order is procured for a course of lectures by A. E. Greenham -

Mr. Tyler, respecting a Depository in Connecticut

Wendell Phillips, respecting Wigglesworth's address before the Leg. Com.

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Letters

John J. Norton, president of Comm.
A. S. Society, respecting "Charter Oak" &c.

G. W. Benson, respecting progress
of comm in Comm.

J. C. Benson, reporting labors in
Connecticut -

John Cress, labors in N. H. York. Invi-
ted to Yates Co.

W. Yates Esq. respecting Judge Gib-
son's decision -

Huntington Lyman, respecting
labors at Niagara Falls &c.

Thomas Dieper, Success in Vt.

J. Manteth, labor in N. Ohio.

A. Wattle, respecting Paul Lewis

W. McCoy desiring salary &
explaining his pledge.

Brimley's bill
paid

Mr. Brimley's expenses to Maine,
\$45. & to Connecticut \$9.75, were
ordered to be paid

Chace
salary

Resolved - That W. M. Chace
be allowed - salary ^{at the rate of} \$600 a year.

Santhard's
proceedings
referred

Some inquiries were made
concerning the proceedings & pub-
lications of Mr. Santhard -

Resolved - That the subject
be referred to the Finance Comm.

Pub. Com. to
direct sales.

Resolved - That the directing that
publications shall be kept on sale
in the office be referred to the Com. on Pub.

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Copper Medals
sold

The Pub. Agent reported that the copper medals had been disposed of without loss to the Society.

Petitions
take ascertained

Resolved - That the Cor. Sec. be requested to ascertain the No. of Petitions on Slavery & Texas, which have been presented to Congress & the various State Legislatures.

Invitations to
their meetings

Resolved - That the Cor. Sec. write to gentlemen in different parts of the country, urging their attendance at the Annual Meeting of the Society.

Stanton to go
to Pa.

Resolved - That it be recommended to Mr. Stanton to visit Pennsylvania.

Adjourned

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April 5.

April 5th, 1838

The Committee met -

Present, H. Tappan, J. Rankin,
 P. E. Cornish, E. Wright Jr., S. S. Jochum,
 H. B. Stanton, L. Tappan, J. Leavitt,
 J. S. Wright, opened with Prayer.

Minutes read & approved

J. G. Birney & G. Russell present,

Treasury

The Treasurer reported -

Rec^d since 9. May, 1837, \$32,426-87

Paid out " " 32,297, 11

Amount on hand 129, 76

Including \$1,404.51, borrowed

Received since last report \$ 1301.70

Paid out - " " 1648.99

Excess paid out " \$ 347.29

Agency Com.

The Agency Committee reported
Whereupon -

L. A.

Resolved - That the following
 persons be appointed Local Agents
 on the usual terms -

Grennell

Rev. Zelotes Grennell, Paterson, N. J.

Whitmore

Rev. Zolva Whitmore, W. Guilford Ct.

Athwater

Rev. Jason Athwater Middlebury Ct.

Twining

Rev. William Twining, Madison, Ind.

Resolved - That it is inexpedient
 to adopt the recommendation of the
 Agency Com. respecting Mr. Martyn.

Com. on Pub.

The Com. on Publications
 reported by their minutes -

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Whereupon —

Pamphlets to

Thorne

Resolved — That 100 copies each of Wythe & Bibb argument with such other pamphlets selected by Mr. Wright, be sent to Mr. Thorne for distribution in Kentucky.

50 Emanc. in W.I.

sent by Leavitt

Resolved — That 50 copies of "Emancipation in W.I." be sent to editors & other individuals, under direction of Mr. Leavitt.

24 to indiv

for Thorne

Resolved — That 24 copies be sent to individuals designated by Mr. Thorne.

25 to Weld

Resolved — That Mr. Weld have 25 copies to distribute.

10 to Southard

Resolved — That Mr. Southard have 10 copies to distribute.

James Williams

stereotyped 4 to

10,000 printed

price

Resolved — That the "Narrative of James Williams" be stereotyped, in quarto form, & minion-brevier type, & 10,000 copies printed, on paper like the Advocate of Moral Reform, and sold at \$10 per thousand.

H.R. 1500 additional

Resolved — That 1500 copies additional be printed of the Human Rights for April, & sent to auxiliary societies.

Derrings repr.

Resolved — That the tract on St. Domingo be reprinted, 3000 copies,

M'Kims tract

by Leavitt

Resolved — That Mr. Leavitt prepare a small tract, containing Mr. M'Kims letters & his own observations, entitled "Visit to Washington", and 3000 copies published — stereotyped.

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Resolved — That 50 copies be purchased for sale, of *Lunderland Vesting* & 100 of the *Atlas* tracts, & 500 of the "Appeal of 4000 Disfranchised Citizens".

Ruggles Antislavery Resolved — That the Publishing Agent receive on consignment 10000 copies of David Ruggles' "Antislavery", at 8 cents each, & to advance to him the sum of \$35 on account.

Gates' Pamphlet Resolved — That we purchase the whole edition of Gates' pamphlet at cost — & that the sale of the pamphlet be referred to the people's Committee on Free People of Color.

Emancipation in the West Indies Resolved — That "Emancipation revised by J. D. W. in the West Indies" be revised, by J. D. Weld & E. Wright Jr. & stereotyped in 8vo form, in the style of the Political Register or Foreign Quarterly — with a view to publishing a hundred thousand copies — if the funds can be obtained.

Finance Com. The Committee on Finance reported by reading their minutes.

The Committee on District of Columbia, Bills, Free People of Color, & Library, made no report.

Com. of Arr. The Committee of Arrangements reported by reading their minutes.

to invite A. Stewart Resolved — That the Com. of Arrangements be directed to invite Abram Stewart Esq. —

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to make one of the speeches at the anniversary.

Cor. Sec.

The Corresponding Secretaries reported -

Birney to Worcester

Resolved - That Mr. Birney be requested to go to Worcester to attend a meeting on the 12th. instant.

J. H. Kimball

letter

A letter was read from Joseph Anne Kimball, respecting his labors in preparing the Report on W. S.

\$100 allowed

Resolved - That Mr. Kimball be allowed one hundred dollars, for his services in that work, in addition to the 50 copies of the book already sent.

Pub. Agent
of stock

The Publishing Agent reported the result of the Account Book, viz

Stock on hand	\$ 8.500
Debts due to Soc.	2.442.87
Periodicals	401.38

Debts

Soc. owes for books, paper,	}	1.931.02
printing, binding, &c		
to Agents		
		5.531.10
		<u>7.462.12</u>
Balance		\$ 3.882.13

Pledges

Amount due on Pledges	\$ 25.000
ded. borrowed	<u>1.500</u>
Balance	23.500

Ad. J. P.

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Friday, April 27th

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Special
to hear the
ann. report.

For the want of a quorum, there was no meeting on the regular evening. An extra meeting was called as above to hear the annual report.

Present A. Tappan, L. Tappan, H. B. Stanton, J. R. Sunderland, J. Leavitt, S. S. Jewell, J. Rankin, J. S. Wright, E. Wright Jr., W. L. Birney, J. P. G. Russell & N. Southland.

Opened with prayer.

Com. on Bills
Discont^d

On recommendation of the committee on publications, it was Resolved - That the Committee on Bills be discontinued, & that all bills, except for the expenses of Agents, be passed by the Committee on Publications.

D. Rice's Essay
pub.

Resolved - That 1500 copies be published of extracts from the late Rev. David Rice's Essay on "Slavery inconsistent with justice & good Policy" in pamphlet form, without the imprint of the Society, in the style of the Examiner, for distribution in Kentucky, & that Mr. Birney be requested to append suitable notes with an introduction by a native Kentuckian.

Slade's Speech
2000 addit.

Resolved - That the publishing agent purchase 2000 copies more of Mr. Slade's speech, the same to be distributed under Mr. Slade's frank to such persons as shall be designated by the publishing committee.

Emanc. in W. I.
Distribution

Resolved - That the publishing committee be authorised to distribute additional copies of the "Emancipation" in a volume form to leading individuals, in different parts of the country.

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Binding

Resolved — That 500 copies of "Emancipation" as stereotyped, be put up in boards with printed covers, & 5000 stitched in paper covers, under direction of Mr. Jocelyn.

Peirce & Reed proposals

Resolved — That Peirce & Reed proposals for printing the Emancipator be accepted, on condition they continue to do the work as well as they are now doing it.

Address of Ky.

Synod pub.

Resolved — That 1000 copies of the address of the Synod of Kentucky be printed from Mr. Whipple's plates.

Em. in W. I.

presented at

Anniv.

Resolved — That a copy of the stereotyped edition of "Emancipation" be given to each member of the religious bodies to be convened next month in this city and Philadelphia.

Ann. Report read in part.

The Annual Report, prepared by the secretaries, was then read, and commented upon, as far as page 76

Resolved
~~Adjourned~~ to meet on Tuesday next, at 6 o'clock to hear the remainder.

Resolved — That the bill for maps of the West Indies be paid

Unfinished business ordered

Resolved — That the ~~Com~~ Recording Secretary report all unfinished business on our minutes, at the next meeting

Committees

Resolved — That all committees report in writing at the next meeting on all unfinished business referred to them

Treas. acct.

Resolved — That the treasurer's accounts be made up to that time.

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Pub. Agent
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Resolved - That the Publishing agent
render his account at the next meeting

Resolved - That the Publishing Agent
be authorized to employ Mr. Chace to assist
in the office for a season.

A statement was made by the Pub. Agent
respecting the urgent wants of the treasury.

Resolved - That the same be referred
to the Com. on Finance.

Adj.

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Tuesday, May 1. 1838

May 1.

The Committee met pursuant to adjournment.

Present. A. Zappa, L. Zappa, S. S. Joubert, J. Levitt, D. Dumbor, J. Rankin, J. S. Wright, Atty, J. G. Briney Esq. W. M. Chase & T. D. West.

Opened with prayer

Minutes of last meeting

Committees

The Com. on Pub. reported by reading their minutes, & were discharged

Agency Com.
disch'd

The Com. on Agency reported by their minutes, & were discharged.

J. White
L. A.

Resolved - That Samuel White, of Granville, Ohio, be appointed a Local Agent, on the usual terms.

Com. on D.C.
disch'd

The Committee on D.C. the District of Columbia reported & were discharged.

Library Com.
disch'd

The Committee on A. S. Library was discharged.

Com. of Arr.
report

The Committee of Arrangements reported that all needed arrangements are made for the annual meeting.

cont'd.

The Committee was continued.

Stewart's Letter

The Cor. Sec. presented a letter from Abram Stewart Esq. giving notice to the Committee that he intended to move, at the meeting of the Society,

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for an amendment of the constitution, repealing so much as admits that ~~power~~ Congress has no power to abolish Slavery in the Slave States.

Finance Com. The Committee on Finance
reported by reading their min-
utes, & were discharged.

H. Rights to
Perm. Sub.

Resolved: That the Publishing Agent furnish a copy of Human Rights gratis to each permanent subscriber of \$5.00 per annum to our funds.

Rev. Members

Rev. David Root, of N.H., A. St. Clair
C. W. Denison of Del.
of Mass. & J. Cress of N.Y. were invited
to sit with us as consulting members.

St. Clair's Amendment

✓ in writing
 Dr. Rev. A. St. Clair submitted the following
 resolution for an amendment of the
 constitution which he intended to
 propose, viz.

"Resolved - That the second
" article of the Constitution,
" denying that Congress has
" power to abolish slavery in
" the states - be stricken out"

Ann. Report
read.

The reading of the Annual Report was then resumed, & continued to p. 143, ~~with~~ and concluded as above.

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The Treasurers report was read, with
 Treas. Report the report of the Publishing Agent. These
 accepted reports were accepted, & the Treasurer
 was directed to prepare a condensed
 Condensed View statement for reading in public.

Abstract Resolved - That the abstract of the
 annual report, embracing such topics as may
 be designated by the secretaries, and re-
 quiring not more than 25 minutes
 to read, be prepared for the public
 anniversary.

accepted
 & revised

Resolved - That the report now
 read be accepted, revised by the
 secretaries, and laid before the
 society at its annual meeting.

Adj.?

At a meeting of the Committee, called
 for the occasion, on Wednesday, May 2,
 Present. S. E. Cornish, J. S. Wight, H. B.
 Stanton, L. Lippman & J. Leavitt.

S. E. Cornish was called to the chair.

A proposal to amend the constitu-
 tion, Art VI & VII, was laid before this com-
 mittee, by a committee of the ~~Society~~
 Am. Anti-Slavery Soc. now in session.

Resolved - That in our judgment
 the 10th article of the Constitution re-
 quires that amendments to the constitution
 be submitted to this committee previously to the
 annual meeting.

Adj. J. Leavitt Sec. Sec.



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May 28, 1838

At a regular meeting of the Board of Managers of the American Anti Slavery Society; John T. Norton, V. P., in the chair:—

The following persons were unanimously appointed as the Executive Committee for the ensuing year, viz.

Arthur Tappan
James G. Birney
John Rankin
S. E. Cornish
Lewis Tappan
Duncan Dunbar
S. S. Jorelyn
Leroy Sunderland
Joshua Leavitt
Elihu Wright Jr.
H. B. Stanton
Theodore S. Wright

Attest Joshua Leavitt, Rec. Sec.

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The Executive Committee met.

Present

Arthur Tappan, J. G. Birney,
S. S. Jewell, L. Tappan, J. Leavitt, L. R.
Sunderland

Opened with prayer

The ~~act~~ Certificate of appointment
of this committee by the Board of Man-
agers, was read

By-Laws

Resolved - That a committee be
appointed to examine & report on our
bye-laws. J. Leavitt, E. Wright Jr. L. Tappan.

Circular
to Auxiliaries

Resolved - That Mr. Leavitt prepare
a circular, to be lithographed & sent to
Abolitionists in different parts of the
country, exhibiting the doings of the
Annual Meeting, & the state & prospects
of the cause, & urging the formation
of societies & the contribution of funds.

Sub-Committees

Sub-Committees.

Agency - A. Tappan, J. G. Birney
L. R. Sunderland, E. Wright Jr. J. Leavitt

Publication - Rankin, L. Tappan, Jewell,
E. Wright, Jr. Leavitt.

* Added May 23

Finance - L. Tappan, J. Rankin
H. B. Stanton, Cornish, Leavitt #

Political Action - Birney, Stanton
L. Tappan, Cornish, Leavitt

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Free People of Color — Jocelyn, J. S. Wright,
Cornish, A. Tappan, Dunbar.

Com. on
State Aux.

Resolved — That J. Leavitt, L. Tappan,
+ H. B. Stanton be a committee to
consider + report on the best arrange-
ment for future operations with
state auxiliaries.

Post Office
Malfeasance.

Resolved — That ~~the~~ Mr. Birney
write to the Post Master General,
in the name of this Committee
informing him of instances of
malfeasance of ^{his} Deputies in relation
to the Emancipator + H. Rights

Resolved — That when we adjourn,
it be to meet on Thursday next at 7 P.M.

A Letter of N. Southard offering
A.S. Almanac. to resign the Anti-Slavery Almanac
was referred to the Com. on ~~Finance~~ ^{Publications}.

A recommendation, by the Meth-
odist Convention at Utica, of several
persons for appointment as agents,
was referred to the Com. on Agency

Resolved — That we accede to Mr.
Rev. D. Root. Root's proposition, to labor 10 weeks
in the service of the Society at the west,
for \$150, provided he attend the con-
ventions at Pittsburgh + Greenville.

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Delegate
to the West.

Resolved - That Rev. David Root, of
Dover, N. H., be appointed to represent
this Committee at the approaching
Conventions at Pittsburgh & Granville.

J. B. Wilcox.

A letter was presented from J. B. Wilcox,
reigning his agency -
Adj.

Thursday, May 17, 1838

The Committee met at the office
Present, A. Tappan, L. Tappan, J.
Rankin, S. E. Cornish, & J. Leavitt.

Opened with prayer

The minutes of the last special meeting
not being present, were not read.

The treasurer reported -

Treas. Report.

Received since May 1, 1838	\$ 2.153.74
Paid out " " "	1.940.80
Amount on hand	212 94

The Committee on Publications reported
by reading their minutes - Whereupon

A. S. Almanac.

Copy Right.

Resolved - That the copy right of the
Anti Slavery Almanac be purchased
of N. Southard for \$40, & the future pub-
lication be assumed by the society.

N. Southard

Resolved - That N. Southard be di-
rected to assist E. Wright Jr. & J. D. Wild
in preparing the next no for publica-
tion.

Emancipation

Resolved - That the Com. on P. sh

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"Emanc. in W. I."
Stereotype
Vol. Edition.

be empowered, whenever they think it advisable, to stereotype & publish the "Emancipation in the W. I." from the other stereotype edition, in a style similar to the *Memories of Douglass*, with Gov. Everett's letter & other testimonials appended.

T. D. Weld,
Editor.

Resolved - That Theodore D. Weld be appointed Editor of the Society's publications (except the periodicals) with a salary of \$1000 per annum; with a view to his preparing original & compiled works as the exigencies of the cause may require, procuring reviews of our publications, feeding the religious & political papers from time to time with articles, &c.

Resolved - That the Com. on Pub. Insurance inquire & report on the expediency & rate of insurance of the property in the Office, & also on the best ~~method~~ method of securing our stereotype plates.

The two following recommendations were laid on the table for consideration till the next meeting. viz.

New Periodical
recommended.

1 "That it be recommended to publish an edition of 500 copies of a monthly paper, the title of Human Rights, to be entitled the A. S. Bulletin, or Intelligencer - to contain facts relating to the progress of the cause in this country, for gratuitous distribution at home & abroad.

2 "That &c. it be the duty of each member

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Revision of
proofs.

of the Pub. Com. to examine the proof-sheets of the Slave's Friend, Human Rights, Emancipator, & all other publications of the society; & that nothing be published that shall be objected to by any member, unless such objection shall be overruled by a majority of the committee."

Committees -

The Committees on Agency, Finance, Free People of Color & Political Action made no report.

By-Laws.

The Committee on By-Laws reported, & their report, after amendment, was adopted, & ordered to be entered at the beginning of this book.

Rev. S. J. May

A letter was presented from Rev. S. J. May asking the payment of his expenses in attending the Annual Meeting.

Resolved - That the secretaries inform him that the Committee do not feel themselves authorized to establish such a precedent.

Rev. O. Scott's
mission to
England.

A letter was read from Rev. O. Scott, asking the views of the Committee on several points connected with his appointment by the Methodist Convention as a delegate to England.

Resolved, that we highly approve of the contemplated mission.

Resolved - That when Mr. Scott goes to Europe, he shall be commissioned to

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to represent this committee in all meetings & societies of Abolitionists in Great Britain & France.

Reference. Resolved - That the remaining things in the letter be referred to the Committee or Agency, to consider & report thereon.

T. D. Weld & J. G. Whittier. Resolved - That Theodore D. Weld & John G. Whittier receive compensation for the time spent in the service of the society, at the rate of \$600 a year.

The following resolution was offered, & after discussion, ordered to lie on the table till the next meeting, viz

Secretaries " Resolved - That the Secretaries be requested to give notice to the Committee Com. of absence of their expected absence from the city, & the occasion which renders it proper; & to make written reports of their proceedings to the committee on their return."

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The Committee met on the call of the President, to make arrangements for publishing the Annual Report.

Present. A. Tappan, L. Tappan, S. S. Johnson, J. Leavitt, J. G. Briney, & H. B. Stanton, & J. S. Wright

Also, H. Wilson, traveling agent

An. Report. Resolved — That in publishing the annual report, the Body of the Report do not exceed 30 pages, that the speeches at the anniversary be omitted; & that the proceedings of the business meeting, list of officers, Treasurers & publishing agents' reports, & list of auxiliaries be ~~not~~ printed, & that the body of the report be printed in the style of the "Bible against Slavery"; That that 2000 copies be printed, & distributed as follows: viz, one each

Distribution

1. To the officers of the Society
2. To the members who attended the annual meeting
3. To each individual or auxiliary society, who have contributed during the year \$10 or upwards to our funds.
4. To each other auxiliary society who will send for it without expense.

Resolved — That the Secretaries prepare the report agreeably to the above directions, and submit it to this committee.

Finance.

The Finance Committee reported by reading

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J. Leavitt

by reading their minutes, Whereupon
Resolved - That J. Leavitt be added
to the Finance Committee

Resolved - That the Agency Committee
revise the list of agents, & report whether
the services of any can be dispensed with.

State Aux.

Resolved - That the Secretaries
write to all the State Auxiliary Societies
in regard to the ~~State Auxiliary Societies~~ in re-
solution passed at the Annual Meeting con-
cerning their assuming the charge of the Abol-
ition enterprise in their respective fields;
to inquire whether they design to adopt the
plan, or whether they will propose any
different arrangement; & to state to
them that until arrangements are
made, this committee will proceed in
the raising of funds, as heretofore.

Debts to be
collected

Resolved - That the Publishing Agent
be directed to turn his immediate attention
to collect all debts due the society.

George Russell
resigns.

A communication was received
from George Russell, Publishing Agent,
&c. resigning his office from the close
of the present month. On motion, Mr. R.
was requested to state his reasons, which were,
done - Whereupon

Resolved - That Mr. Russell be re-
quested to suspend his resignation
for the present.

Post Master
General

Mr. Birney reported his correspondence
with the Post Master General of the U. S.

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Post Office with respect to the conduct of some of his
Correspondence deputies.

Resolved - That Mr. Birney be requested
to continue the correspondence, as occasion
may require

Mr. Stanton

Mr. Stanton reported his visit to Phila-
delphia & Messrs. Birney & Stanton reported
their visit to New Haven.

N.E. Convention. Resolved - That Mr. Stanton be re-
quested to attend the New England Con-
vention, taking Norwich in his way.

Rev. Hiram Wilson made some statements
respecting the want of funds for schools
&c. in Canada.

Wilson

Resolved - That in our view it is inex-
pedient for Mr. Wilson to solicit funds for
those objects in the States, ^{while} ~~as~~ an agent of
this Society.

Adj

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Thursday June 7, 1838

The Committee met - Present, A. Lappan, J. H. Birney, L. Lappan, J. Rankin, J. Leavitt, E. Wright Jr. S. S. Jorelyn, J. S. Wright.

Opened with prayer

The minutes of the three previous meetings were read & approved

The Treasurers reported -

Treas. Report.

Receipts into the treasury since May 1. \$2477.29

Paid out " " " 3950.20

Excess paid out \$1472.97

Remained since last report — \$709.91

Paid out " " " 839.98

Excess paid out \$130.07

J. C. Fuller, of Skaneateles, being present, was invited to sit & take part in our deliberations.

An. Report

On motion, the votes at the last meeting respecting the annual report were reconsidered

Resolved - That the secretaries prepare & publish the Annual Report at their discretion, & that 2500 copies be printed.

The Agency Committee reported, & on their report, it was resolved

Rev. J. Monteith,

That Rev. J. Monteith be informed by the secretaries, that his commission has expired, & that the Committee do not wish to continue his agency.

That Hiram Wilson be informed

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Hiram
Wilson -

that in view of his plans in Canada, it is deemed inexpedient that he should continue as the agent of this society.

J. C. Beaman

That Rev. J. C. Beaman be informed, that it is not contemplated to renew his commission ~~at the expiration of the year for which he was appointed.~~

D. Thurston

That the Secretaries notify Rev. D. Thurston that from the state of our funds, it is not contemplated to re-appoint him after the expiration of his present term; & that if he wishes to enter the service of the Maine State Society, the committee have no objections to his doing it at once if desired.

Will^m. Yates

That William Yates, Esq. be informed, that it will not be deemed expedient to re-appoint him; & that from the state of our funds, he be inquired of whether it will be agreeable to close his agency at an earlier ~~article~~ date.

Luther Lee

Resolved - That Rev. Luther Lee be appointed an agent for one year at a salary of eight hundred dollars, & his necessary traveling expenses.

The following persons were appointed Local Agents on the usual terms:

Saml. M. White

Saml. M. White, Granville, Ohio

John Thomas

John Thomas Esq. Arthur Co. N.Y.

John W. Boyd

John W. Boyd Esq. Cincinnati, N.Y.

Rev. James H. Johnson

Rev. James H. Johnson, Madison, Pa.

Mr. Henderson

Rev. Mr. Henderson, S. Hammon, Pa.

Ezekiel Robinson

Rev. Ezekiel Robinson, East Pittston, Me.

Rufus C. Bailey

Rev. Rufus C. Bailey, Wilton, Me.

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The report of the Agency Com., res-
Methodist Agents,pecting the Methodist preachers for the
West, & respecting Mr. Satt, was approved.

The Committee on Publications re-
ported, & on their report it was
Elmore corres- Resolved - That Mr. Birney's cor-
pondence verendence with Mr. Elmore be stereo-
typed, & 1000 copies published, in style of the
Bible of slavery.

Resolved - That the character of
Human Rights the Human Rights be so far changed
that it shall be chiefly made up of
facts relative to the progress of the cause
in this country & elsewhere, & that it be
printed on better paper, & on one and a platten
press instead of a cylinder.

Secretaries

The resolution respecting the
secretaries, laid on the table May 17,
was taken up & passed.

Pub. Committee

(See page 62
at bottom.)

The resolution laid on the table
respecting the Pub. Com., was taken up,
discussed, & again laid on the table.

A communication was received
George Russell's from George Russell, permitting in his
resignation acceptance resignation of the office of Publishing
Agent & Assistant Treasurer, & requesting that some
one may be provided to relieve him.
Resolved - That his resignation be
accepted.

S. W. Benedict
appointed.

Resolved - That Seth W. Benedict
be appointed Publishing Agent &
Assistant Treasurer of the American

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Anti Slavery Society, with a salary of fifteen hundred dollars ^{annually} payable quarterly - it being understood that he is to devote himself solely to the service of the society in said offices.

Resolved - That the Elmore Correspondence Elmore Cor. and be published as an Extra the annual in rights, on a separate sheet, & that twenty five thousand copies be printed & distributed under direction of the Pub. Com.

Resolved - That the Com. and Publication. times inquire & report on the expediency of making general contracts with printers, bookbinders & sterotypers, for all the work required by the society.

Wendell Phillips A notice was received from Wendell Phillips Esq. of the following amendment to the Constitution of the Socy. A. S. S. to be presented to the Constitution of the Society, viz.

"Resolved - That the 2^d Article of the constitution of the Society be amended, by inserting after the 4th & 6th word, the words following - "unless Congress in the exercise of its war-power may have the constitutional right to act there-in."

The same was referred to the Committee appointed by the Society on Amendments of the Constitution, of which Ellis Gray Loring is Chairman

Amendment to the Constitution proposed

Reference of the same.

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Subjects referred
to the Com. by
the Society.

Resolved - That the Reading Society
present at the next meeting, a list of
subjects referred to this Committee by the
Society at its annual meeting.

Benjamin Lundy
Depository
in Illinois.

A communication was received
from Benjamin Lundy requesting aid
in establishing an Anti-Slavery Depository
in Illinois; in which it was

Resolved - That a donation be
made to Benjamin Lundy, of the books
contained in his list dated 5th inst., to
an amount not exceeding one
hundred dollars, on the conditions
specified in his letter. - The proceeds
of sales to be re-invested & perpetuated in
the Depository.

James G. Birney's
trip to N. Jersey

Resolved - That Mr. Birney be re-
quested to go to New Jersey in compli-
ance with Dr. Grimes' letter, & also
attend the Morris County Convention the
last week in June.

Proposal of the
N. Y. State Soc.

Mr. Levitt stated the substance
of a proposition made by Alban
Stewart Esq. on behalf of the New
York State Society, for an arrangement
between the two societies respecting
expenses, funds, &c.

Resolved. That it be referred to
the Committee on arrangements
with sister societies.

Ad. 2d.

Wednesday, June 13. 1838

Special Meetg.
A. Stewart
present.

A special meeting was called, to confer with Abram Stewart Esq. chair. man of the Executive Committee of the N.Y. State Anti Slavery Society, with respect to the arrangement to be entered into between the national & state societies.

Present, J. G. Birney, L. Zaphan, S. E. Cornish, J. S. Wright, H. B. Stanton, & J. Leavitt, & S. S. Jocelyn

J. G. Birney Esq. was chosen chairman p.t.
Opened with prayer

Letter from
Virginia

A letter was presented, from W. M. F. Arnold, of Bethany, Va, addressed to the president of the society, requesting publication.

Resolved - That the publication be provided, & that the president be requested to answer the letter.

Mr. Stanton introduced Mr. Stewart, on the subjects of state-arrangement, prohibitive action with respect to the next Congress, Libraries, promotion of societies - enrollment of names, & the permanent subscription roll.

Mr. Stewart's
proposal in
regard to State
action &c. &c.

Mr. Stewart was then called on to state the views of the State Ex. Com. He proposed, on their behalf, that they were designed to employ a number of agents to carry out the above objects in the state, but were in such circumstances that they could not pledge any thing to the Am. Soc. excepting that this Com. may gather in the counties south of Albany, although they had no objection to our receiving what should be voluntarily

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Also, respecting the importance of taking measures for sending members to the next Congress, as many as possible, who will act heartily and firmly on behalf of the slaves.

Also, the subjects of Libraries, Subscriptions, Societies, & Petitions.

Resolved - That the subject of State Subjects refer-
 and. arrangement be referred to the Com-
 mittee on that subject - of Libraries
 to the Committee on Publications - of
 Petitions & Congressional Elections to the
 of Subscriptions to the Com. on Foreign
 Com. on Political Actions, - & that of
 increasing societies & members to the
 Com. on Agencies.
 Adj.

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The Committee met

Present, A. Lapham, Joubin,
 L. Lapham, S. E. Cornish, Stanton,
 & Leavitt

Opened with prayer.

Minutes of the two last meetings
 were read & approved

The Agency Committee reported
 by their minutes. Whereupon -

The following persons were re-
 appointed, on the usual terms, this

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commissions having expired, viz.

D. Root	Rev. D. Root, Dover, N.H.
J. L. Milligan	" Jas. Milligan, Piquette, Vt.
Sam ^l . Wilson	" Sam ^l . Wilson, Craftsbury, Vt.
S. J. May	" S. J. May, South Ferrisburgh, Mass.
G. B. Perry	" G. B. Perry, East Bradford, Mass.
J. R. Wilson	" James R. Wilson, Edenham, N.Y.
D. Scott	" D. Scott, Albany
Moses Roney	" Moses Roney, Newburgh
Joseph M. L. Wilson	" Joseph M. L. Wilson, Philad ^a
Thos. Spruill	" Thos. Spruill, Allegheny town, Pa.
John Black	" John Black, D.D., Pittsburgh
J. B. Johnson	" John B. Johnson, Bellefontaine, Ohio
Wm. Swan	" Wm. Swan, Green, Harrison Co., Ohio
And. Black	" Andrew Black, Meigs, Pa.
A. A. Guthrie	" A. A. Guthrie Esq., Putnam, Ohio
W. L. Roberts	Rev. W. L. Roberts, Baltimore Md.

The following persons ~~are~~ were appointed Local Agents, on the usual terms, viz.

R. J. Judd	Rev. Russell J. Judd, Gurnettsville, O.
E. D. Weed	" Edward Weed, Mount Vernon, Ohio
Jas. H. Thomas	" James H. Thomas, Merthas Vineyard, Me.

George Benson

Resolved - That George Benson be reappointed, for one year, from the 1st instant, on the same terms as before, to labor in Conn. with leave to spend two or three months in N. I. in the fall at his discretion.

Parburt,

That the recommendations of the Agency Com. respecting auxiliaries & members respecting Mr. Parburt, Robinson, Lee, & Crisp, be approved.

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The Publishing Committee reported by their minutes - Whereupon

Insurance
to be effected.

Resolved - That the Treasurer be requested to effect insurance on the property in the office to the amount of four thousand dollars, and one thousand on the property at the Bookbinders.

Cor. Secs. to write
to State Aud.
recommending
A.S. Libraries.

Resolved - That the Corresponding Secretaries write to the State authorities, recommending the establishment of A.S. Libraries in every town, village & school district.

Libraries to
be put up.

Resolved - That the Pub. Com. be authorized to have some libraries put up in suitable cases, at the respective prices of \$5, \$10, & \$20, for sale at the office. Also, to inquire & report on the purchase of the copy right of Charles Bell, & the expediency of abridging it for general circulation.

"James Williams,"
"Emancipation"

Resolved - To print 20,000 copies of James Williams & 5,000 of Emancipation, stereotype edit., & that 500 of the latter be done up in Brevets.

The other minutes of the Com. on Pub. were approved.

Slave's Friend
discontinued

Resolved - That the Slave's Friend be discontinued.

Finance
Circular

The Committee on Finance reported. Whereupon -

Resolved - That the circular to agents & others be approved, & 500 lithographed copies printed, & sent

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out by the Secretaries.

Quarterly
Subscription

The report on the Quarterly Subscription
that no further action is necessary, was
approved -

Circular on
Political
Action.

The Committee on Political Action
reported a draft of a circular, which
was discussed, amended & approved, &
ordered to be signed by the three correspon-
ding Secretaries on behalf of the Ex. Com.
500 lithograph. copies sent out. Also,
that it be published hereafter in the
Emancipator.

No report was received from the
Treasury, or from the Com. on F.P.C.

Mr. Stanton's
visit to N. E.

Mr. Stanton, Cor. Sec. reported his visit
to Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Con-
necticut - also the state of the business
in the office, - also the application for
him to attend the State Convention
at Lockport.

to go to Lockport

Resolved - That Mr. Stanton be
instructed to attend the meetings
at Lockport, & others on the way.

Arrangement
with State
Auxiliaries.

The Special Committee on ar-
rangement with State Auxiliaries
reported, and on their recom-
mendation it was

Massachusetts

Resolved - That we accept the
proposal of the Executive Com-
mittee of the Massachusetts Anti-

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Slavery Society, with the proviso - that they will accept the drafts of our treasury for the sums pledged, payable at the times specified in the resolutions, & the further proviso, that all donations sent directly to our treasury, unless directed by the donors to be credited to the Mass. Soc. shall not be included as a part of the ten thousand dollars pledged - and the further proviso, that the sums raised on the Cent. - a - week plan shall not be considered a part of the \$10,000.

New York
State Soc.

Resolved - That the proposal of the New York State Soc. Ex. Committee - to assume the whole management of the A. S. Cause in that part of the state lying beyond the counties of Columbia & Greene, but declining to pledge any specific sum to our treasury, be acceded to, with the proviso - that each Committee is at liberty to make applications for funds in the field of the other, by written appeals, but not by agents, & that whatever sums may be sent to either treasury shall, unless otherwise directed by the donors, be considered as belonging to the treasury to which it is sent.

Mr. Stanton
to explain,

Resolved - That Mr. Stanton be directed to explain the views of the Committee to the State Convention, & that he be authorized to agree with the State Com. respecting the services of their agents of whom now in the field.

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Resolved - That this Committee Secretaries deem it indispensable that the secretaries should make arrangements so that one at least should be at the office six hours each day; & that all letters be answered as soon as possible, after reception; that immediately after the every meeting of the Ex. Com. & Sub-Committees the secretaries look over the minutes & proceedings & carry out the resolutions of the Com.; & that the business of the Society should not be postponed on account of the absence of one or more of the secretaries.

Topics for a Circular

A list of topics (Marked E¹) for a circular to auxiliaries & friends, was presented by L. Toffan, & a motion, referred to the secretaries.

Mr. Seavitt discharged

Mr. Seavitt was discharged from the duty of preparing a circular

Mr. Yates' proposal.

A proposal was received from Mr. Yates Esq. for extending the circulation of our publication.

Agents for obtaining subscribers.

Resolved - That the Publishing Agent be empowered to employ agents for obtaining subscriptions to our periodicals, for the customary commission.

On motion, Mr. Yates' proposition was referred to the Publishing agent.

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Cent a week
plan.

Resolved - That the Finance Com.
report on the success of the Cent. a week
system, & the expediency of continuing
the present arrangement for carrying
it on.

Quart. Mag.

Resolved - That the Publishing Com-
mittee report on the status pros-
pects of the subscription for the
Quarterly Magazine.

Mr. Leavitt
to attend Gen.
association

Resolved - That Mr. Leavitt be at
liberty, if he thinks proper, to attend
the General Association of Massachusetts
to which he is appointed by the
General Association of New York.

Mr. Leavitt's
Salary.

Resolved - That Mr. Leavitt's Salary,
as Editor of the Emancipator & Re-
cording secretary, be eight hundred
dollars a year, from the 9th of August
next.

Adjourned

Thursday, July 5, 1838

The Committee met as usual
 Present, A. Lopham, L. R. Sunderland
 J. G. Binney, J. Dunbar, J. Leavitt, E. Wright,
 L. Lopham, S. S. Johnson, J. S. Wright
 Opened with prayer
 Minutes read & approved

Agency Com.
 G. R. Parburst's
 Agency

The Agency Com. reported, whereupon,
 Resolved, that G. R. Parburst, of Hemp-
 stead, L. I. be appointed agent for three
 months, at the usual salary & trav-
 elling expenses; Provided that he either raise
 his own money, or wait for it till the
 Committee see fit to furnish it.

Resolved. That the following be ~~are~~
 appointed Local Agents, on the usual
 terms

Local Agents.
 Johnson.
 Speer.
 Spalding.
 Wilder.
 Preston.
 L. Wilcox.

Rev. Jos. R. Johnson, Cincinnati, N. Y.
 Rev. A. R. Speer, Saratoga, N. Y.
 Rev. Timothy Spalding, LaPorte, Ia.
 Rev. Moses H. Wilder, Fairfield, Ia.
 Rev. Benj. Preston, Kelloggsville, Ohio.
 The recommendation respecting L.
 Wilcox was approved

Com. of Pub.

The Committee on Publication
 reported by their minutes, whereupon

Human Rights
 Plan of

Resolved, That the vote of June 7
 respecting the change in the character
 of Human Rights be reconsidered &
 the following substituted

Resolved - That the character
 of the Human Rights be now changed
 that each number shall contain
 notices of all important facts re-

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~~Large~~ illustrating the progress of the cause, together with a tabular list of Societies, & that it be printed on better paper, & done on a platen press.

Lovejoy's Speech

Min. Tract.

Resolved - That the last speech of Rev - E. P. Lovejoy be printed as a miniature tract

J. Leavitt &
L. Tappan -

Pub. Mission

Resolved - That J. Leavitt & L. Tappan visit Hampshire, Hampden & Franklin counties during the summer, to stir up the friends of the cause with reference to the publications of the Society

Quarterly
Magazine.

On the subject of the Quarterly Magazine, Mr. Leavitt moved

Resolved - "That the Publication of the Quarterly be postponed for the present."

(Laid over.)

Resolved - That ^{the} subject be laid over till next meeting.

Mrs. Nicholson

A Bill from Mrs. Nicholson for board of delegates at the anniversary, was referred to L. Tappan, with power to adjudge & settle it.

Circular on
Periodicals.

The Publishing Agent was directed to issue a circular for subscribers to our periodicals, & that all our agents be required after every ~~lecture~~ ^{lecture}, after every lecture, to take solicit subscriptions for the ~~Emancipator~~ or take up contributions for its gratuitous circulation after ~~every lecture~~. Also, that the Publishing Agent ^{be directed} to employ several

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agents to procure subscribers,
on the plan he proposes.

Republications.

Birney on Col.

" Letters

Wythe -

Bib. Arg.

Elmore & S. F.

Resolved. to publish per the
plates, 1000 copies of Birney on Colo-
nization, 1000 Birney's letter to the
churches, 1000 Wythe on Dist. of Col. 1000
Bib. Arg. story, 2000 Elmore connected,
& 500 Howes friend, vol. 2

"Emancipation"

12 mo. Ed.

Resolved - That the Publishing
Committee inquire & report on the
expediency of selling the copy right
of Harriet & Knapp's work in 12 mo.

Unfinished

The secretaries reported that
the resolution respecting the
increase of societies had not been
carried into effect.

N.Y. State Soc.

A letter was read from Mr. Stanton
respecting the arrangement with
the N.Y. State Soc.

Cor. with State

Auxiliaries

Referred.

Resolved - That the subject of
correspondence with State Aux-
iliaries respecting financial
arrangements, be referred to the
Com. on Finance.

Ls. Bourne's

History. Ref.

A letter from Rev. George Bourne
respecting his History of the Anti-
Slavery Controversy was reported
to the Publishing Committee.

Mass. State Soc.

Reconsideration.

The resolution adopted at the
last meeting respecting the

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proposal of the Massachusetts State
 Soc. was reconsidered, & the
 proposition was ~~accepted~~

H. B. Stanton
 to go to Mass.

Mr. Stanton was requested to
 go to Massachusetts, agreeably
 to the invitation in Mr. Phelps' letter
 of the 3^d instant.

Pres. Beecher

College, coming in, was invited to
 sit with us & take part in our
 deliberations

Pubs. to Illinois
 College.

Resolved - That the Publishing
 Agent select \$20 worth of publica-
 tions as a donation to the College
 of Illinois

Secretaries
 to Report.

Resolved - That the Corresponding
 Secretaries arrange among
 themselves the ~~the~~ business of
 the office & the hours of attendance,
 & report at the next meeting

WJ

Thursday, July 19. 1838

The Committee met as usual — present
A. Tappan — L. B. Sunderland — J. S.
Joulson — E. Wright, and James G. Birney.
John Rankin opened with prayer.

Minutes read and approved.

Quar. Mag. — The subject of the publication of the Quar-
terly Magazine was taken up — and
on motion postponed till next meeting when
a fuller meeting may determine on it.

Moved and seconded that the ^{Circular} resolution re-
ferred to in the proceedings of the last meeting^{Aug 179}
in relation to the increase of Society, &c.
be published as an Extra H-Nights, and that
the proof be submitted to the Publication
Committee. The resolution passed.

Arrangements The corresponding Secretaries reported in regard
to the business of the office & the hours of attendance,
the following arrangement, viz.

"1. Business of the Office.

Wright Jr. to "E. Wright Jr. undertakes to keep up the office
business, in which is embraced, carrying
out the orders, resolutions, &c. of the Execu-
tive & other Committees as entered on their
minutes — so far as they devolve on the
undersigned generally.

G. B. & H. B. S. "H. B. Stanton & James G. Birney, when not a-
broad, will perform the business peculiar to
their respective departments. In their absence
these duties will be performed, so far as they can be
by one person, — by E. Wright.

"2. Office - Hours.

"The office will be regularly kept open during the
summer, from 8 o'clock in the morning till 2 o'clock
in the afternoon. Signed James G. Birney, E. Wright Jr. H. B. Stanton

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Treas. - no rept. Treasurer made no report.

Com. on Agencies. Com. on Agencies reported by reading their minutes:

Whereupon,
 Rev. John Sudley, M^r Morris, Michigan
 Local Agent. was appointed local agent for one year
 at the usual terms.

Com. on Pub.	Com. on Agencies Publications
" " Finance	" " Finance
" " Polit. Act.	" " Political action
" " Free P. C.	" " Free. pop. Color,
No rept.	Made no reports

A communication was received from the
 Arrangement Executive Committee of the N. Y. State A. S.
 with N. Y. Society in reference to a mutual arrange-
 State Socy. ment -

"That this Society pledge to the parent
 Society for the current year commencing
 on the first day of May, 1838, & ending
 on the first day of May, 1839, two thou-
 sand Dollars, from this State on the same
 conditions, & subject to the same pro-
 vision, as are contained in the agree-
 ment with the Massachusetts Society."

Proposal accepted. Resolved - That the proposal be
 accepted.

Mr. Clark, On a letter from Wm Clark, of Ver-
 proposes to resign ment, proposing to resign his mission.
 Agency. Resolved - That his resignation

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Accepted

be accepted, & that his compensation for the time he has been in actual service, be \$25 per month, & his traveling expenses, provided he has raised the same amount to the terms under which he was appointed.

Capt & Lee,
to N. Y. State
Soc'y.

Resolved - That this committee consent to the transfer of Messrs. Capt & Lee to the State Society, provided those gentlemen agree to it.

ADJ

August ~~11~~ 2, 1838

The Committee met
Present, A. Lapham, E. Wright Jr.
Joubert, L. Lapham, Sunderland,
Leavitt, J. S. Wright

Opened with prayer

Minutes read & approved

The Assistant Treasurer reported

Receipts in June \$1175.29

Paid agents, salaries &c \$1595.24

Deficient in June — \$416.95

Receipts in July \$1045.47

Paid Agents &c 794.81

Expenses July 250.66

Deficient in June & July \$166.29

Treasurer's
Report

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Ag. corn.

Rev. B. Preston

Ag. Comm. The Com. on Agency reported, showing
 Received - That Rev. Benj. Preston
 of Kettysville, Miss., be appointed Agent
 for one year, on a salary of \$500 &
 exp. He to raise his salary according
 to his own proposal

J. G. Wilson.

Received ^{10th} ~~Jan~~ ^{of 1844} ~~from~~ ^{of} G. Wilson, of
J. G. Wilson. Ohio, ^{he obtained} on the usual salary & exp. to
labr in New Jersey. - Mr. Leavitt
having stated that he was authorized
to pledge Bergen & Essex Counties.
respectly Morris for their proportion
of the expense.

Social Agents.

~~Rev. J. K. Johnston~~

Rev. J. Worth

Rev. S. C. Gilbert

The following were appointed
Local Agents in the United States

~~Rev. J. K. Johnson, Madison, Ia.~~

Rev. Jas. Worth Spring Hill, Ga.

Rev. L. C. Gilbert Lover Agnew and S.?

Rev. H. Lyman.

Rev. H. Lyman.
Rev. Huntington Lyman, of Buff-
lo, a Local Agent, being present, was
invited to sit with us.

Pub. Cont.

Child's Appeal
Gay's Inquiry

Jay's Inquiry

Pub. Com. The Publishing Committee
reported. ~~Whereupon~~
Ordered that 500 copies each of
Child's Appeal, Mrs. Child's Appeal & Jay's Inquiry
be printed.

J. Q. Adams

Sun N. S.

J. Q. Adams
 Sun N. S.
 Alw - That the Publishing agent
 be directed to procure 1000 copies
 of J. Q. Adams' Speech for Washington
 Alw - That he inquire in what
 terms A. S. another can be published
 in the Free Newspaper.

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Extra

Hum. Rights.

Resolved - That an Extra H. Rights be prepared & stereotyped, containing facts relating to Emancipation in the West Indies bought down to slavery.

The other committees made no report.

Cor. Sec. Rep.

Mr. Wright, Cor. Sec. reported interesting letters from France

Also - A letter from Mrs. Wedgwood of England, covering a bill of £50 for various purposes connected with the cause.

Also - Letters from Mr. Josiah W. Birney's correspondence.

Also - Prof. Sargent, V. Allen, & G. Loring, & others, on political action

Also - from Dr. J. A. Allen, Sec.

Vt. State Soc. of

Vt. St. A. S. Soc. in state arrangement - Arrangement went, which was postponed for further inquiry & explanation.

Soc. Agents

Accepted.

Also - That the moving gentlemen have accepted a Local Agency, viz. Dr. M. H. Wilder & J. A. Henderson, of Ia

A. S. Almanac

Mr. Southard reported that the A. S. Almanac is completed and stereotyped.

Mr. Southard

Mr. Southard also stated that the N. Y. Young Men's A. S. Society had requested his services for a period in this city.

Resolved - That Mr. S. be allowed

to enter the service of the Gay Men
 Soc. as long as they request, - they
 paying his support.

Com. on
 Auxiliaries.

A motion by L. W. P. on the
 subject of Auxiliary Societies, was
 referred to a committee consisting
 of L. W. P. - E. Wright Jr. & ^{S. J. Smith} ~~the Secretary~~,
 to consider the state of the societies &
 report a plan for their greater effi-
 ciency.

Quarterly
 Magazine,
 Suspended.

The motion respecting the A. S.
 Quarterly Magazine was taken up.

Resolved - That the Publication
 of the Anti-Slavery Quarterly Maga-
 zine be postponed for the present, &
 that a printed notice be sent to the
 subscribers that they may receive
 their money back if they wish.

Suggestion
 in regard to
 For. Correspondence.

Resolved - That the For. Cor. Sec. suggest
 to the friends of the cause in Great Britain
 & the West Indies to take measures to
 aid the Abolitionists of this country
 in all ways in their power, &
 especially to influence the slave-
 holders in the U.S. to imitate the
 example set in the abolition of slavery
 in the West Indies, & also to take mea-
 sures to enlighten the people of America
 on the happy results of Emancipation
 in the British West Indies

Adopted.

Thursday, August 16

The Executive Committee met
Present A. L. Zuppan, J. G. Birney,
L. Zuppan, E. Wright Jr. & Leavitt
Opened with Prayer.
Minutes read & approved

The Asst. Treas reported

Rec'd Aug. 1 to 15th

Treas. Rep.

From G. Smith for Sec' & Ed, \$2000

from other sources 707.97
\$2717.97

Paid Agents, Salaries, & Exp. 1210.55

Balance in Treas. 1507.42

The Com. on Agency reported, Wherein -
Resolved - That the appointment
of J. G. Willson be reconsidered

J. G. Willson

Resolved that the sum of \$150
voted to Rev. D. Root for his Western
Agency be paid

Rev. D. Root

The Com on Publication
reported, Whereupon

Resolved - That the editor
of the Emancipator publish
a note proposing a contribution
of funds to circulate Thome & Kimball's
book in France

Thome &
Kimball's
Book.

Resolved. That Mr. Weld
be requested to prepare from a
five ^{miniature} ~~short~~ tracts on selected subjects,
for speedy publication

Miniature
Tracts.

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The other Committees made no report.

Rep. on Aux-
iliary Soc.

L. Zappan, from the Special Com. on enlarging & merging the aux. societies, reported, and their report, after being considered, was approved.

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Resolved - That the committee procure the necessary book & prepare it, & that Mr. Wright be entrusted to keep it & conduct the necessary correspondence.

State Arrang.

The Secretaries reported - That no answer had been received to the inquiries for information respecting the state arrangement.

H. B. Stanton

Letters were read from Mr. Stanton requesting his labors in Massachusetts.

O. Scott

Also, from Rev. O. Scott, requesting his labors & plans in N.H. & Vt.

Monument to
Mr. Kimball.

A letter from J. Farmer, of Concord, N.H., respecting a monument to J. H. Kimball, was laid on the table.

James Williams

The subject of the documents in reference to James Williams' Narrative published in the Alabama Beacon, was considered.

Resolved - That it be referred to Mr. Birney & L. Zappan to prepare a statement for publication in the

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Address

on

Political Action.

Resolved - That the Committee on Political Action prepare an address on the political duties of abolitionists at the present time, setting forth the views of the Executive Committee, and that it be published in our Extra Human Rights, together with the necessary documents.

Adj^d

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The Executive Committee met
Present A. Lapham, Birney, Sunderland,
Leavitt, ~~Sunderland~~, Rankin, J. J. Brown
Opened with prayer
Minutes read & approved

The As^t Treasurer reported
Receipts

Treas. Rep.

May, 1838 -	2.477 . 29
June "	1.175 . 29
July "	1.045 . 47
August "	5.488 . 28
September 15 -	227 . 50
	\$10.413 . 84
	over

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Brought up	\$10.413 - 84
Payments	
May, 1838	3.950 . 26
June "	1.592 . 24
July "	794 . 81
August "	2.329 . 81
Sept. 15 "	518 . 92
	\$9.186 . 04
Balance in Jr.	1.227 . 80

Agency Rep.

The Agency Committee reported
Whereupon

Rev. G. W. Finney.

Resolved That the Rev. G. W. Finney be appointed an agent for one year, to labor in New Jersey at a salary of six hundred dollars a year & traveling exp.

Pub. Com.

The Publication Committee reported
Whereupon

"Sturge & Hawey"

Resolved - That the Pub. Ag. be authorized to purchase 100 copies of Sturge & Hawey's "West Indies in 1837"

A. S. Examiner.

Resolved. That the Dialogue on Slavery written by the Rev. Samuel Hopkins D.D. in 1776 be published in its original form as an A. S. Examiner

Articles for
the Sun.

Resolved - That Mr. Wild be requested to prepare Anti Slavery Articles for the Sun newspaper, not exceeding an average of half a column ^{daily} until the fall election is over in this state

Elmore Correspondence.

Resolved - That the Elmore Correspondence be ~~not~~ stereotyped in newspapers

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"Power of Cong."
"Bible Arg."

from, & published at two cents a copy
Resolved - to stereotype the "Power of
Congress" & "Bible against Slavery"

"Thorne & Kim."

Resolved - to publish 6000 copies
of Thorne & Kimbells work, pamphlet form.

"J. Williams."

Resolved - to publish 20,000 copies
of James Williams - sheet.

"Testimony of
God against
Slavery"

Resolved - That the Pub. Agent
be authorized to contract with the author
of the "Testimony of God Against Slavery" for
the use of the City Night on the same
terms as for the A. S. Manual, & that it
be stereotyped & 500 copies printed.

"Liberty"

Resolved that 1000 copies be published
of "Liberty" 12 mo.

"A. S. Almanac"

Resolved - That the Pub. Agent be
authorized to publish 50000 copies of the
A. S. Almanac for 1839, as wanted

Non-Reports

The Com. on Polit. Action, Finance,
& Free People of Color, made no report.

James Williams.

On motion, the vote authorizing
the publication of James Williams
was reconsidered - & after discussion,
was again passed.

Resolved - That a committee of three
be appointed to continue the investiga-
tions respecting James Williams, with
authority to expend whatever money
may be requisite, not exceeding \$500

Lewis Tappan, J. G. Birney & L. R.
Sunderland were appointed the
committee -

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Jamaica Cor.

J. W. Alvord.

Resolved - That the the editor of
the Emancipator be authorized
to agree with the Rev. J. W. Alvord, about
to go to Jamaica, for a regular correspond-
ence from that island
Adj?

Thursday October 4. 1838

The Committee met
Present, A. Lapham, Sunderland,
L. Lapham, J. L. Leavitt, E. Wright
J. E. Corick.

Opened with prayer
Minutes read & approved

Treas. Rep.

The ~~Assistant~~ Treasurer reported
Receipts in Sept. \$525.54
Paid Salaries & exp. of Agents 1,324.76
Exp. of payments 799.22

Com. on Pub.

The Com. on Publications reported
Whereupon

Articles in the
Sun.

Resolved - That E. Wright Jr. & Mr. Bir-
ney be appointed to prepare articles
for the Sun, instead of Mr. Weld.

Reprints.

Resolved - That the following editions
be published for Society's plates,
viz.

1000 Bibles to Presby of the U.S.

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1000 Address to Presb. of Kentucky
2000 What is Abolition
2000 In Commandments.

Resolved - That a proposition be made to the N.Y. Cong. Miss. A.S. Society to cooperate in ^{circulating} ~~publishing~~ fifty thousand copies of the Almanac in this city & Brooklyn - The same to be furnished at \$30 per 1000, & the Am. Society to bear half the expense.

Almanac
proposals to
young men's
Society.

J. Williams.

L. Tappan, from the Com. & on
James Williams, reported progress.

Questioning.

Resolved - That the Cor. Secretaries of this Soc. question the Candidates for the National & State Legislatures in this District, unless they shall ^{unanimously} ascertain that it will be satisfactorily attended to by the Com^{tee} of the N.Y. Cong. Miss. Soc. or otherwise.

A.J.?

Thursday, October 18. 1838 -

The Committee met -

Present - A. Tappan, Birney, Sunderland, Leavitt, L. Tappan, Cornish, E. Wright, Jr., Stanton, Jocelyn, J. S. Wright -

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Minutes of last meeting
were read & approved.

Rev. J. Frost, of Elmira, being present,
was invited to sit with us.

The A^gt. Treasurer reported that
Treas. Rep. there had been received, from Oct. 1, to
Oct 15. \$559.50

Paid agents Salaries \$1809.23

Excess of payments \$1249.73

Agency Rep. The Agency Committee reported
Whereupon —

Mr. Finney's
Salary.

Resolved — That the salary of Rev.
G. W. Finney be seven hundred dollars,
& that he be allowed \$75 to remove
his family

Rev. J. B. Hudson

Resolved — That Linethy B.
Hudson, of Oberlin, be appointed
agent for three months, at the usual
salary & expenses.

Mr. Yates' Bill

Resolved — That Mr. Yates' bill
for salary & expenses be paid to the
7th of June.

Com. of Pub.

The Committee on Publications
reported — Whereupon

O'Connell
Broadsheet.

Resolved — That a Broad Sheet
be prepared by Mr. Leavitt, & 5000
copies published, in the style of Em-
mett's Speech, containing Mr. O'Connell's
Portrait, Speech at Birmingham, Cor-
respondence with Mr. Stevenson, & his letter

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Letter to the public

Resolved — That Hon. William Jay Esq. be requested to draft a letter to Lord Brougham, showing the constitutional power of Congress & of the State Legislature, in regard to the abolition of Slavery, & the Suppression of the Slave Trade in the United States.

Letter to
Brougham.

Resolved — That E. Wright Jr. prepare a number of the A.S. Examiner, showing that the Slave Trade can only be abolished by the abolition of Slavery.

A.S. Examiner
Slave Trade

The other Standing Committees made no report.

Non-Reports

The Special Committee on James Williams made a further report, & were continued.

James Williams

Resolved, — That the sale of James Williams be suspended, & that the Sub-Committee prepare a statement for the public on the subject.

Secretaries

The Secretaries reported no matters

Resolved — That the Hon. W. Jay, having taken up his residence in this city, be invited to attend the meetings of this Committee as a Corresponding Member

Mr. Jay.

Resolved — That the Editor of the Emancipator be authorised to make a list of five

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Emancipator hundred persons, who are not subscribers to the paper; to send the paper to them for three months, with a view to their becoming subscribers; that at the end of the three months another list be made & the papers sent, & so on, until the further order of the committee:

Also: That the following be inserted as a standing notice:

"To our Readers

"Every person who may receive or read this paper, (which is published, not for private amusement, but for the advancement of the the cause of freedom,) is requested to become a subscriber to it, by enclosing two dollars to S. W. Benedict, Public Agent, 143, Nassau street, New York, & thus aid in the abolition of Slavery & the ~~Standing~~ Slave Trade."

Petitions

Resolved - That the Corresponding Secretaries issue a Human Rights extra, on the subject of petitions.

Le Roy's Bill

The Account of George L. Le Roy for preparing the list of petitions, was ordered to be paid - \$25 -

Stanton's Bill

Mr. Stanton's Bill of Traveling expenses, from May, 1837, to ^{Feb} ~~July~~ 27, 1838, was ordered to be paid - \$260.23

Library to Farmington

On application of Mr. Woodford, agent for the Farmington Academy, Ohio -

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Resolved - That the Publishing Agent be authorized to furnish a \$20 Library for the use of said Academy.

Ashtabula
Resolution.

The resolution of the Ashtabula Co. A. Society respecting a National A.S. Convention, was laid on the table till the next meeting.

James Williams'
Comm.

The Special Committee on James Williams proposing to report again, the proceedings previously adopted were re-considered, & the following report presented and adopted.

"The Special Committee on the Narrative of James Williams reported that the evidence obtained by them from various sources satisfied them that many of the statements made in the said Narrative were false.

"Whereupon - Resolved - That the said Special Committee prepare, as soon as may be, a statement in relation to said Narrative, to be inserted in the Emancipator; & that the Publishing Agent be directed to to discontinue the sale of the work."

S. Wright.

A resolution presented by L. Tappan respecting the article of Mr. Wright in the Emancipator of this day, was laid on the table till next meeting.

A communication from the Pub-

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Massachusetts living agent, respecting funds
pledge. received from Massachusetts, was
referred to the Committee on
Finance.

Penn. Con. Resolved - That Mr. Leavitt accept the
invitation to attend the Convention at Coates-
ville, if he thinks it advisable.

STATE ORGANIZATION.

Our friends in the Bay-State have looked their duty in the face, and laid out their work in a manner that ought to awaken the zeal and command the confidence of abolitionists throughout the Commonwealth. Massachusetts always redeems her pledges. We hope the like spirit may animate all our auxiliaries.

From the Liberator.

WORK FOR ABOLITIONISTS!!

ABOLITIONISTS OF MASSACHUSETTS,—

The Board of Managers of the Massachusetts Anti-Slavery Society desire to call your earnest and prompt attention to the following statements and suggestions.

The following resolution was adopted by the American Anti-Slavery Society, at its late annual meeting, in New-York:

'Resolved, That it be recommended to such state or other auxiliaries as are disposed to take the charge of the abolition cause within their respective fields, to make arrangements with the Executive Committee of this society, guaranteeing to our treasury such stated payments as may be judged reasonable, and then assume within their own limits the entire direction of lecturers and agents in forming local societies, collecting funds, circulating memorials and establishing libraries; and that this society will not send its agents to labor for these objects in such states as carry out this plan, except in concurrence with the State Executive Committee.'

Subsequently, the subject came before the Board of Managers of the State Society, and on consideration, it was

'Resolved, That the Board of Managers of the Massachusetts Anti-Slavery Society, will undertake the management of the anti-slavery cause, within the state, the ensuing year, in accordance with the plan proposed by the Parent society, at its late annual meeting; and that this Board is now ready to enter into an arrangement with the Executive Committee of that society, for this purpose.'

At an adjourned meeting, the Board voted to hold a stated monthly meeting, on the 1st Tuesday of each month, at 3 o'clock, P. M.; and to pledge the Parent Society \$10,000 for the ensuing year, \$2000 to be paid on the 1st of August, \$3000 on the 1st of November, \$2,500 on the 1st of February, and \$1,500 on the 1st of May.

With this statement before you,

THE WORK TO BE DONE,

by the state society and its auxiliaries, the ensuing year, is obvious.

1. TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS are to be raised by the Parent society.

2. There are not less than ONE HUNDRED towns in this commonwealth, in which there is no anti-slavery society, and where little or nothing has ever been done for the anti-slavery cause. These towns, as far as possible, are to be visited, and societies planted in every one of them, within the year.

3. Anti-Slavery libraries are to be established, as far as possible, in every town and village in the state.

4. Petitions to the state and national legislature are to be circulated in all the towns.

5. To raise this money, plant these societies, establish these libraries, and circulate these petitions, agents, local and others, and the press, to a greater or less extent, must be employed and sustained. With all the aid in the work, (and we trust it will not be small,) which the friends of the cause in the respective towns can render, there must still be more or less of the machinery of agencies and the press.

6. To set this machinery in motion and sustain it, the state society will need at least six thousand dollars. The work to be done then, in this state, the ensuing year, is by no means a small one. Sixteen thousand dollars cannot be raised, one hundred new societies cannot be planted, and anti-slavery libraries cannot be established, and petitions circulated in every town in the state, without the most prompt, systematic, vigorous, and persevering effort.

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Special Meeting, Oct 27, 1838.

Present A. Tappan, L. Tappan, S. S. Jewell, L. Sunderland, J. S. Wright, E. Wright Jr.

Opened with prayer.

On motion of L. Tappan

Political
Extra.

Resolved, That an Extra Emancipator, not to exceed 5000 copies be published, under the care of E. Wright Jr. on the subject of the approaching election.

Political
Resolution -
Seward
&
Bradish

Resolved, That this Committee, concurring in the sentiment universally expressed by abolitionists throughout the country, that political preferences are to be sacrificed to the interests of humanity, are of opinion that the reply of Mr. Bradish, entitles him to the cordial support of abolitionists at the approaching election; and that on the other hand, the replies of Mr. Seward & Gov. Marcy show that the cause of human rights has nothing to expect from the election of either of them, and hence every vote which is given to either will be an injury to that cause.

Resolved, That the friends of humanity throughout this State be earnestly requested to withhold their votes from Messrs Seward & Marcy and every other candidate who answers to the same effect, or neglects to answer at all.

Resolved, That the Secretaries & Editor of the Emancipator be a committee to distribute the Extra.

Adjourned.

Attest, E. Wright Jr. Sec. p. t.

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Committee met, Present A. Tappan, L. Tappan, J. G. Birney, S. E. Cornish, T. S. Wright, Lacey Sunderland, E. Wright jr.

Meeting opened with prayer.
Minutes read and approved.

Treasurer's Rep. The Assistant Treasurer reported
Cash rec^d from Oct. 1st to 31st inclusive
\$ 1,345.33
Paid agents salaries and expenses during the
same time ————— 3,047.57
Paid more than rec^d \$ 1,702.24
Whole amount rec^d since the first of May.
\$ 11,887.68.

Agency Rep. The agency committee reported by reading
their minutes, whereupon,
Kersey Grave. Resolved, That Kersey Grave of Richmond
Indiana be appointed a local agent on the
usual terms.

Rev. David Root Resolved, That the recommendation of Rev.
David Root as agent, be laid over till the
next meeting.

Pub. Com. The Publishing Committee reported by reading
the monthly statement of the publishing agent,
for which see file.

Ashtabula Resolution. The Resolution of the Ashtabula Co. Anti Slavery
Society was taken up and again laid on the
table.

E. Wright jr. The resolution in regard to the commun-
ication of E. Wright jr. in the Emancipator,

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addressed to the Proprietors of the New York Observer was taken up, discussed and withdrawn by the mover.

James Williams

On motion, the Committee on James Williams was discharged.

Collection of
Facts

Resolved, That T. D. Weld be requested to prepare a collection of facts to show the true character of slavery and condition of the slaves to be published under the direction of the Publishing Committee.

Human Rights

The subject of the delay in printing the Human Rights for November was referred to the publishing Committee to report.

Aux. Books.

E. Wright jr. & L. Tappan were appointed a Committee to procure assistance to commence the new Auxiliary books.

Copying Letters

Resolved, That a machine for copying letters be procured for the use of the Secretaries & publishing agent.

T. & K's book
to Lord Sligo.

Resolved, That the publishing agent be instructed to send a copy of Thorne & Kimball's work, in the name of this Committee, to the Marquis of Sligo.

Book in
London.

Resolved, That the publishing agent be instructed to take measures to have our publications on sale in London, and advertised in the British Emancipator.

Wash. Cor.

The employment of a correspondent at Washington was proposed, and laid over to the next meeting.

Rev. J. Lee.

Rev. John Lee of Bellville N. J. was appointed a local agent on the usual terms. Adjourned E. W. jr. Sec. p. t.

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Committee met; present A. Tappan,
L. Tappan, J. G. Birney, Lucy Sunderland,
S. S. Jocelyn, D. Durbar, S. E. Cornish, T. S. Wright,
E. Wright Jr.

Opened with prayer.
Minutes read & approved.

Treas. Rep. The Assistant Treasurer reported

Cash received from Nov. 1st to 14th inclusive
\$485.83
Cash paid out in the same time, 858.95
Paid more than received \$373.12

Ag. Com. The Agency Committee made no report.

Pub. Com. The Publishing Committee reported by reading
their minutes; whereupon

Resolved that the following works be repub-
lished, viz.

Anti Slavery Record vol. I. 1000 copies,
" vol. II. 1200 copies.
" vol. III. 1000 copies now in
pamphlet form to be bound.

Jay's Inquiry, with consent of the author, 500 copies.

The Fountain — 500 copies.

Quarterly Magazine, No. 2. of Vol. I. 250 copies to
complete sets for binding.

Slave's Friend Vol. I. — 1000 copies.

" Vol. II. — 1250 copies.

A. S. Almanac for 1839 — 50,000 copies (including
20,000 already sold)

Bible Argument, 1000 copies.

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"Declaration of Sentiments" (a tract) 2000 copies.

"Emancipation", by Thome & Kimball, 800. 5000 copies.

"Does the Bible Sanction Slavery?" 1000 copies.

"Liberty", 800. Ed. 500 copies.

"Power of Congress &c" 2000 copies — The new members of Congress and the unsuccessful candidates to be furnished with a copy each.

"Wesley's Thoughts" Resolved to publish a miniature edition of "Wesley's Thoughts", with engraved portrait & title-page, stereotype edition, 2000 to be printed; & that S. S. Jowlyn & La Ray Sunderland be a committee to prepare the same.

New Tract Resolved that "Prejudice against Color" be adopted as No. 9 of the small tract series, stereotyped & 5000 copies printed.

O'Connell's Letter. Resolved, that the Publishing agent be authorised to procure the publication of O'Connell's letter with portrait in the "Truth Teller".

Catalogue Resolved, that E. Wright jr. prepare a catalogue of the publications for sale in the office, to be published in small tract form.

H. Clay Resolved, that a sketch of Henry Clay's principles & course in regard to slavery & African Colonization be published as an Emancipator Extra, & in pamphlet form, to be prepared by J. G. Birney.

Abolition in D. C. Resolved, that Mr. Birney correspond with the Hon. Mr. Slade of Vermont & with the Hon. Mr. Morris, of Ohio, and other members of Congress, whom

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he may think it expedient to address on the subject, to ascertain whether they intend moving at the next session for the immediate abolition of slavery in the District of Columbia.

Judge Fay.

A letter was read from Judge Fay, declining the appointment of writing a letter to Ford-Brougham —

David Root.

The appointment of Rev. David Root to an agency was laid over till the next meeting.

Nat. Convention

The resolution of the Ashtabula County (Ohio) Anti Slavery Society was laid over till the next meeting.

Aux. Books.

The Committee on Auxiliary books continued.

Wash.ⁿ Cor.

The subject of a correspondent at Washington was referred to Mr. Leavitt with power.

Bill of Ex.

Bill of travelling expenses of Geo. W. Benson from May 1. to Nov. 3. (1838) was presented & approved — \$67.89

Isaac Fisher Esq.

A letter having been read from Isaac Fisher Esq. in regard to German Newspapers in Pennsylvania.

German Papers

Resolved, that this committee offer to each of the proposed German papers, to pay the sum of \$5 per week for the insertion, each week, of two columns of matter to be furnished or approved by our secretaries; — Provided, the papers

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advocate the doctrines of the American Anti-Slavery Society & circulate ^{each} at least 1000 copies weekly.

Sun.

Resolved, that the Secretaries be authorized to continue, at their discretion, publications in the Sun till next meeting.

Z. Greenwell

Rev. Z. Greenwell of Paterson N. J. having been nominated as an agent his appointment was laid over till the next meeting.

Adjourned, E. Wright Jr. Sec. p. t.

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Friday, Dec. 14.

The Executive Committee met on a special call, in consequence of the failure of the regular meeting.

Present, A. Tappan, L. Tappan, E. Wright Jr. S. E. Cornish, J. S. Wright, J. S. Wright, J. S. Wright, J. S. Wright.

Opened with prayer

Minutes read & approved

Rev. G. W. Finney & Daniel A. Payne being present, were invited to sit with us.

Treas. Report.

The Assistant Treasurer reported received into treasury since May 1st \$12,671.14

Paid out " " 14,315.11

Paid out more than rec^d \$1,643.97

Rec^d in Nov. \$653.93

Paid .. 1,275.66 - Excess \$621.73 -

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Rec'd Dec. 1 to 14. \$118.92
 Paid " " 234.00
 Payments exceeds rec'd 115.08

Agency Com. The Agency Committee made no report.

Pub. Com. The Publishing Committee reported, whereupon -

Resolved - That the Protest of citizens of ~~Indiana~~ South Carolina against Home Missions, republished in a small tract with the names.

Resolved - That Rev. Derick Green's "Chattel Principle" be published, in the style of the "Bible Against Slavery", the manuscript being first submitted to the Pub. Com. & Mr. Weld - & that 2000 copies be printed at Whitesboro', provided it can be done as cheap as well as in this city.

Finance The Com. on Finance & Dist. of Col. & P.L. made no report.

Secretaries' Rep. The Secretary reported letters from Messrs. Slade & Morris requesting the Dist. of Columbia -

from Mr. Giddings, of Ohio, asking information

from Mr. Menifee, of Ky. asking for a copy of Ebenezer Cunningham's sermon from Georgia, asking information.

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The question of Mr. Root's appointment
being taken up - it was

Rev. D. Root.

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Resolved - That the Rev. David
Root be appointed an agent for one
year, at a salary of nine hundred
dollars a year & traveling expenses.

Resolved - That the state of the Treas-
ury be laid before him ^{be reviewed}, & that the
continuance of our agencies must de-
pend on their fidelity in gathering
funds.

National
Convention.

The following resolution of the Ab-
olition A. S. Society was taken up for
consideration - viz

" That we recommend to the Ex. Com-
" of the Am. A. S. Society to call a National Con-
" vention of Abolitionists, to be held early in the
" Summer of the year 1839, the members of
" which shall stand pledged to make no nom-
" inations for the offices of President & Vice
" President, but which shall announce to
" the American people that qualification
" such candidates must possess & that prin-
" ciples they must disavow in order to se-
" cure the suffrages of abolitionists."

Resolved - That the Executive Com-
mittee will take measures to call
a convention of the Friends of Imme-
diate Emancipation, to be held during
the ensuing summer, for the purpose
of taking into consideration the duties of
Abolitionists in the present state of the
cause. —

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Resolved - That the Finance Com-
State Action mittee be directed to write to the Ex. Com.
of the State Societies with which we have
arrangements, proposing to them either
to fulfil their engagements or annul
the present arrangements.

Mr. Wright presented a series of reso-
lutions, which, on motion, were referred
to the Finance Committee

Rev. Mr. Wells

Resolved - That the Rev. Mr. Wells,
of Lawrenceville, ^{Pa} be appointed a
Local Agent for one year on the us-
ual terms.

New Agents.

Resolved - That the Cor. Secretaries
take measures, by correspondence and
otherwise to procure the services of
fifty first rate agents.

Bills passed

The following bills were examined
& ordered to be paid

C. S. Remond. Trav. Exp.

J. Levitt " "

Mr. Grennell

Information was given that the Rev.
Mr. Grennell had accepted a call
in this city, & would decline an agency
if appointed.

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The Committee met -
Present, A. Tappan, Sunderland,
E. Wright Jr. L. Tappan, Birney, J. Webb,
Leavitt;

Opened with prayer -
Minutes read & approved -

The Agency Committee reported -

Resolved - That the Rev. A. J. Rankin,
of Ohio, be appointed agent for one year,
at a salary of six hundred Dollars &
traveling expenses, to labor in Indiana

The following were appointed Local Agents

James Dickson	Portland Mills, Ia.
Rev. Thomas Hicklin	Vernon, Jennings Co. Ia.
David Stephens	Spencer, Owen Co. "
John Clarke	Laurensburgh, Decatur Co. "
James M' Coy	Clarksville, Decatur Co. "

The Committees on Finance,
Publications, Political Action, & Free
People of Color, made no report.

The Finance Com. waited for Mr.
Stanton, who was expected this day, but
did not arrive.

The Secretaries made no report -

Resolved - That the editor of the Emancipator announce the vote of the Committee to call a Convention, & that the necessary arrangements will be made in due time.

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Com. Arrangements
for Anniversary

Messrs. Leavitt, L. Tappan, & Sum-
derland were appointed the Committee
of Arrangements for the next an-
niversary.

Annual Report

Resolved - That Mr. Wright pre-
pare the Annual Report.

Mr. Birney's Bill of expenses to Po-
kepsie, were ordered to be paid \$5-

of of Stock.
List of debts

The Publishing Agent presented
an account of Stock, & list of debts
due from & to the society, ~~certifying the same~~

Stock of Books, plates, &c.	\$89117.91
Debts due on book	3706
" Notes	1107
" to Agents	4942
	9755
Due from indiv.	2018
" State for. under arr.	3671
	5689

of to be re-examined

Resolved - That the list of ~~accounts~~ ac-
counts be re-examined by the
publishing agent, with the aid of the
secretaries, & that the ^{statement, exp.} whole be then
referred to the Finance Committee
to report thereon at the next meeting

Expediency of
discontinuing H. R.

Resolved - That the Publishing
Committee inquire & report re-
specting the expediency of discontin-
uing the publication of the Human
Rights.

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Since 1st vol
of Records of the
Ex. Comm.

Resolved - That the secretaries have
1st volume of our records bound in
Rupin leather.

Mr. Bamey to go
to Springfield

Resolved - That Mr. Bamey be
requested to go to Springfield & lecture
whenever an appointment is made.

Subscribe for
the N. Y. American

Resolved - That the Publishing
Agent subscribe for the New York
American for the office.

Agents sell
Publications

Resolved - That the Pub. Agent
engage an agent at a salary to
sell our publications.

Suit of D.D. Nash
Employ H. Drepper
as Counsel

The publishing agent reported
that he had been sued by D.D. Nash
for a libel in the A.S. Messenger,
the damages laid at \$10,000.

Resolved - That Mr. ~~H. Drepper~~ ^{H. Drepper} be
retained as counsel in the case.

Anti Slavery
in Churches

Resolved - That a Committee be
appointed to consider & report on
appropriate action in intro-
ducing Anti Slavery into the
churches.

Messrs. Leavitt, Jorey & Bamey
were appointed. —

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Thursday, January 3. 1839

The Executive Committee met.
 Present - A. Tappan, Sunderland,
 L. Tappan, Johnson, Leavitt, Cornish.
 Opened with prayer.
 Minutes read & approved.

Treas Report

The Assistant Treasurer reported -
 Receipts - Dec. 1. to 31 - \$944.22
 Cash paid agents, salaries &c 728.65
 Received more than paid 215.57

The Agency Committee reported
 by reading their minutes

The Publishing Com. & Plat. Com. &
 Com. on F. O. C. made no report. The
 Pub. Com. reported the Pub. Agents report for the
 month of Dec.

The Committee on Finance reported
 by reading their minutes - Whereon -

Cent-a-week system

to be continued

Resolved - That the cent-a-week
 system be continued, & that the quar-
 terly publication connected therewith be
 regularly issued.

Employ Mr Southard,

or some other suit-as certain whether Mr. Southard will con-
 sider persons

Resolved - That the Finance Com.
 in that service; & if not, look out
 for a suitable man to take charge of it;
 - & that in the mean time they con-
 tinue the quarterly publication.

State financial
 Convention

The series of resolutions offered by
 Mr. Wright, respecting a meeting of
 delegates from the State committees to
 confer with this Committee with respect

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to the concentration of our action,
 was reported by the Finance Com. & has been referred.

1. Resolved - That it is, in our opinion,
 inexpedient to hold such a Convention.

State arrangements not beneficial 2. Resolved - That the arrangement
 entered into with the State Societies
 of New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut,
 & Vermont, has not been productive
 of the advantages anticipated, but on the
 contrary, has been an obstruction to the
 Anti-Slavery cause; & that therefore, in
 the judgment of the Executive Committee,
 it ought to be discontinued as soon as it
 can be done with propriety.

Delegation to Boston and Utica 3. Resolved - That a Delegation from
 this Committee be appointed to visit
 Boston & Utica, to negotiate the dis-
 continuance of the arrangement.

Lewis Tappan & E. Wright Jr. were
 appointed the delegation.

Mr. Stanton, at time to financial interests in Mass 4. Resolved - That, in case the Ex-
 com. should appoint Mr. Stanton
 General Agent for New England, he
 be instructed to attend to the financial
 interests of this society, & take im-
 mediate measures to collect funds
 for our treasury; - Provided - the
 way shall be open for that purpose.

Books, Debts, &c. The statement of stock, debts, &c. was
 reported by the same committee,
 & as revised. The following is the
 summary, viz.

Amount due to Agents \$4,386.89
 carried over

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Brought over -	\$4,386.88
Due to Sundry persons	3,706.73
in Bills payable	1,107.66
Cash borrowed last year	1,353.51
Total	\$10,554.78
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Amount due from Agents	\$-146.50
" " Sundry persons	2,018.31
" " State Soc. on Pledge	3,671.15
Stock on hand	9,761.29
Total	\$15,597.25
Balance in our favor	\$5,042.47.

Rev A. S. Beman
 delegate to the
 A. S. Societies in
 Europe.

The Committee having been in-
 formed that the Rev. Nathan S. S. Beman,
 D.D. was about to visit Europe, it was

Resolved - That Dr. Beman
 be appointed to represent the American
 Anti-Slavery Society to the different
 Anti-Slavery Societies in England, France,
 & elsewhere in his travels.

Mr. Leavitt was directed to present
 him with some of the Society's publi-
 cations.

Resignation of the
 Publishing Agent

A communication was received
 from the Publishing Agent & Assistant
 Treasurer, stating that his private
 affairs had rendered it necessary for him
 to resign his appointment.

Resolved - That his resignation
 be accepted, to take effect as soon as
 the Committee can procure a
 suitable successor.

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Resolved - That in the mean time, Mr. Benedict be allowed to devote as much time to his own business as our concerns will admit - making a suitable deduction from his salary.

Resolved - That the Finance Committee be directed to look out for a successor to Mr. Benedict.

Judge Fay

A communication from Judge Fay was referred to Messrs E. Wright, J. Leavitt & Sunderland, with power.

Wm. Stanton

Agent for New England

Resolved - That Mr. Stanton be appointed Agent of the American Anti-Slavery Society for New England, to devote a large part of his time to the collection of funds for the Society - at a competent salary to be agreed on hereafter - it being understood that in case he accepts this appointment his office of Corresponding Secretary will be vacated.

Emancipator

Sent to M. C.

Resolved - That the Emancipator be directed to all the members of Congress during the Session, & that the editor be authorized to distribute not more than 300 weekly among the members of the several State Legislatures in session.

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Thursday, January 17. 1839

The Committee met

Present - A. Zappan, Joubert,
E. Wright Jr. L. Zappan. Dumbear,
Leavitt, Birney, Stanton J. S. Wright, Cornish
Abs - Hon. William Jay.

Opened with Prayer -
Minutes read, corrected & approved.

Treas. Report

The Assistant Treasurer reported
Received, Jan. 1 to Jan. 15 \$ 1.442.23
Paid agents, salaries & exp. 944.26
Received more than expended 497.17

The Agency Committee reported
Whereon

Rev. Daniel Wise

Resolved - That the Secretaries con-
sult with Rev. ~~John~~ Daniel Wise with
regard to his appointment, field of labor,
& salary.

Rev. John Croft

Resolved - That Rev. John Croft be
appointed as agent for one year, to labor
in Connecticut or New Jersey, at a
salary of seven hundred dollars & his
necessary traveling expenses.

The Finance Committee reported
Whereon -

State arrangement

Resolved - That in case the in-
statements from the State Societies,
due on the first of February, with the
balance of arrears, shall not be
promptly paid, the exigencies of the
Society require that the Committee
should consider the arrangement with

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such Societies at an end, & proceed to take the best measures in their power to supply the wants of the treasury.

Resolved - That the vote appointing a committee to go to Utica and Burton, be reconsidered.

Finance Comm.

to provide credit

for the Pub. Agt.

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Resolved - That the Finance Committee be authorized to provide a credit for the Publishing Agent, to an amount not exceeding the value of the stock on hand from time to time; & that they be authorized to pledge any portion of said stock at any time it may be found necessary to pay debts contracted by said agent for contracts authorized by the Executive Committee.

clerk to write

up the Auxiliary

Books

Resolved - That Mr. Wright be authorized to employ a clerk to assist in making up the Auxiliary books, at a salary not exceeding eight dollars per week.

Extra st. R.

Mr. Wright reported that he had prepared the proposed Extra Human Rights on the West Indies -

Resolved - That it be referred to the Publishing Committee, with power to publish.

Amos Dreper.

Mr. Stanton read of a letter from ~~Amos~~ Dreper, requesting a remission of the debt of \$66.38 standing against him on our books.

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Resolved - That Mr. Dupes's accounts be signed to this time, in view of his losses & labors in the cause.

Mr. Birney's Bill of Traveling Expenses to Loure. & Mass. was ordered to be paid \$22.37 1/2

Mr Birney to be retained

Mr. Birney having made a statement respecting his condition and arrangements - it was

Resolved - That we deem it highly important to the interests of the cause that Mr. Birney should be retained in his present office, & that ^{the subject of} his salary be referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr Wright. do

Resolved - That we deem it also important to retain Mr. Wright, & that the subject of his salary be likewise referred to the Fin. Com.

[The same vote was also passed with regard to Mr. Stanton]

Mr Stanton. do
negotiate with
the Mass Socy.

Resolved - That Mr. Stanton & Mr. Leavitt be a committee to go to Boston to negotiate for with the Committee of the Massachusetts Society with regard to the raising of and collecting of money to redeem their pledge; and that they also represent this Committee at the approaching anniversary of that Society.

Resolved - That, in case a satisfactory arrangement is made, Mr. Stanton be requested to employ himself, until our anniversary, in raising funds. A.?

Tuesday, Jan. 29th, 1839 -

The Committee was called, to confer with Mr. Stanton & hear the report of the deputation appointed to confer with the Board of Managers of the Massachusetts Anti-Slavery Society.

Present - A. Tappan, Birney, Stanton, E. Wright, Jr., J. S. Wright, L. Tappan, Cornish, J. L. Leavitt.

Opened with prayer.

Reply of the
Board of the
Mass Socy.

Mr. Stanton reported the proceedings of the Massachusetts Anti-Slavery Society, and the following reply of the Board of that Society ~~with regard~~ to our proposal with regard to the collection of funds in Massachusetts.

"Voted - That the Board request the Committee of the American Anti-Slavery Society to send their agents into this State & take any other measures they may deem best, to collect the amount due on the pledge made by this Society & to become due on the first day of February next, with the expenses of raising the same, & remit the whole to the Treasurer of this Society, under the promise that the same shall be immediately & wholly remitted to New York, & in the collection of the same, they be authorized ^{to receive the amount} of pledges hitherto made to this Society. Boston, Jan. 19. 1839."

The following resolutions were then adopted. -

~~Resolved~~ Whereas, the Board of Managers of the Massachusetts

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Anti Slavery Society have not carried out the Arrangement entered into under the vote of this Society at its last Annual Meeting, guaranteeing certain stated payments to our treasury; and our Committee appointed to confer with that Board report that there is no probability of the arrangement being fulfilled on their part: And whereas the exigencies of the Anti-Slavery cause require immediate aid, & imperiously forbid that we should allow the treasury of the American Anti-Slavery Society to be deprived of the funds, which it is believed the Abolitionists of Massachusetts are willing to contribute:—

Arrangements with
the Mass. Socy
annulled.

Resolved — That we deem ourselves absolved from the restrictions of that arrangement, & bound to consider the same as null & void —

Financial Agents
in Mass.

Resolved — That the Finance Committee be directed & empowered to employ a sufficient number of financial agents, & adopt other vigorous measures for the collection of funds in Massachusetts.

Resolved — That the Finance Committee be directed to pursue the same course in regard to the collection of funds in other States where similar arrangements have been entered into, whenever similar circumstances exist.

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Committee to
Communicate with
the Board of Miss. Soc.

Resolved - That Messrs. Birney, Leavitt
L. Tappan be a committee to com-
municate their resolutions to the
~~the~~ Board of the Massachusetts Anti-
Slavery Society.

E. Wright

Mr. E. Wright having commu-
nicated to the committee an in-
vitation he has received to become
the conductor of a new Anti Slavery
paper about to be started in Massa-
chusetts, & signified his intention
to accept the said invitation at
the close of the present year -

Resolved - That the Committee
will not stand in the way of Mr.
Wright's wishes in this matter

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Thursday, Feb. 7, 1859

The regular meeting was held.
Present, A. Tappan, L. Tappan,
S. S. Jacobson, E. Wright, Jr. & E. Cor-
nick & J. Leavitt

Opened with prayer.

The reading of the minutes
was dispensed with, in order to gain
time for attending the city conven-
tion.

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Leads. Report.

The Assistant Treasurer Reported
 Cash rec'd into treasury, from May 1 '38
 to Feb 1, 1839, inclusive \$16,023.24
 Paid Agents Salaries & Expenses 16,448.98
 Paid more than rec'd 425.74
 Cash rec'd. from Jan 1 to 31 incl. 2,407.88
 Paid to & for 1,405.22
 Excess rec'd 1,002.66

The Publishing Committee reported
 & their report was accepted -

Human Rights
cont.

That it is expedient to continue
 the Human Rights till the close of the
 present volume, & that the Pub. Ag.
 ascertain & report the prospects for the
 coming year.

Martyr Age

That 2,000 copies be printed of
 "The Martyr Age" without the Society's
 imprint.

Emancipator

\$2.50 & \$3.00

That the price of the Emanci-
 pator be raised to \$2.50 on the 1st of
 May, & then in arrears six months
 it be three dollars.

Seavitt's "Nor-
thern Dealers in
Slaves published

That Mr Seavitt's article on
 "Northern Dealers in Slaves" be pub-
 lished as a miniature tract.

No other Committee reported.

Rev. E. S. Wells
accepts L. A.

A letter was read from Rev. E. S. Wells,
 accepting Local Agency

Rev. John Frost

Rev. John Frost, of Elmira, was ap-
 pointed Local Agent, & it was ordered
 that he be written to with reference to business

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are spent with special reference to the collection of funds.

Rev. John Keep
App^d Agent

Rev. John Keep was appointed an agent for one year, to labor in Massachusetts with special reference to the collection of funds. Salary to be determined hereafter.

Rev. J. H. Dickey's
Letter - about
Agent for Ill.

A letter was read from Rev. J. H. Dickey of Hingham, requesting an agent for Illinois.

Rev. N. Colver
L. A.

Rev. N. Colver, of Boston, was appointed a Local Agent.

Com. - from
1st Mass.

Rev. Amos A. Clair, & Rev. Daniel Wise, of Massachusetts, were appointed agents for one year. Their salaries to be settled on further correspondence.

Ady

Monday, Feb. 18. Special

A Special Meeting was called for the purpose of conferring with a delegation from the Board of Managers of the Massachusetts A. S. Society.

Present, A. Lippman, J. J. Wright, J. Rankin, S. S. Jewell, S. E. Cornish, D. Dumber, J. Leavitt, S. E. Cornish, L. Lippman, J. G. Birney & E. Wright Jr.

Messrs. Wendell Phillips & H. G. Chapman appeared as delegates from the Mass. Board, & were invited to sit with us.

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Miss Phillips &
Chapman
Delegates from
Mass. A. S. Society

The delegates presented a letter from the Massachusetts Board, setting forth their surprise at the proceedings of this committee with reference to the arrangement between the two societies; their desire to avoid a collision, & their unwillingness to have the arrangement broken up; & declaring that, if their wishes are disregarded, they shall feel themselves compelled to make a public protest against the doings of the Ex. Com. They explained the reasons why the sum guaranteed had not been raised, & totally denied the report of the Am. Soc. to declare the contract annulled.

Their Statements

The delegates then made verbal statements of the reasons why the Committee ought to recede from the position they had taken.

Opinions seriatim

After a free discussion had continued for some time, it was
Resolved - That the members of the Committee be called on, in turn, to give their views of the matter.

The delegates were then heard further, and a friendly conversation ensued. The delegates requested a definitive answer, but the committee preferred further deliberation before acting.

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Thursday, Feb. 21, 1839

The regular meeting was held.
Present, A. Lippin, S. S. Joubert,
J. H. Wright, S. M. Deane, Leavitt
Opened with prayer
Minutes of the four last meetings
were read and approved.

The Assistant Treasurer reported -
Rec^d for Feb. 1 to 15 \$1.046.32
Paid agents & salaries &c. 1.308.05
Excess of payments 261.73

Agency Com.
Report

The Agency Committee reported, -
their report was accepted.

Com. of Arrang.
Rept.

The Com. of Arrangements reported
in part.

Pay for Supply
of Pulpits
abolished

Resolved - That the instructions
to Local Agents be so altered as to ex-
clude the stipulation for the supply
of pulpits.

Hon. S. B.
Giddings
Letter - Slavery
in Wisconsin

A letter was read from Hon. S. B.
Giddings respecting Slavery in Wis-
consin.

Resolved - That the secretaries
correspond with Rev. J. Peet, of Green
Bay, & others in the vicinity, on
the subject, & ascertain what can be
done.

J. B. B. invited
to N. H.

A letter was read from Rev. J. D. Curby,
earnestly entreating Mr. Birney
to visit Cheshire Co. N. H.

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Resolved - That Mr. Birney be requested to comply with the request, if consistent with his arrangements.

Hon. Wm. Jay's
Action of Fed. Govt.
on Slavery

A letter was read from the Hon. William Jay, respecting a work of his own in the press, on the station of the Federal Government on Slavery, & offering us the privilege of taking copies at cost.

10000 Copies Taken

Resolved - That the Publishing Agent contract for a thousand copies.

Assistant Sec.
employed by

Resolved - That in view of the expected removal of Mr. Wight, & the necessary absence of Messrs. Birney & Tucker, it is expedient to employ an Assistant Secretary.

Committee for
that purpose

Resolved - That Messrs. Leavitt, Sunderland & L. Johnson be a committee, with power, to procure a suitable person for that office.

Any further
change necessary

Resolved - That the same committee consider & report whether any other change is necessary in the office arrangements.

Removal of
Office

Resolved - That the same committee report on the proposition for a removal of the office.

Extra H. R.
stereotypes &
5000 printed in
Examiner

Resolved - To stereotype the matter contained in the late Extra H. R. on Rights, as an appendix to the Emancipation in the West Indies, & that 5000 copies be also printed separate,

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as an Examiner.

Reprints of
various
Publications

Resolved - That 5000 copies be printed
of each of the small tracts

2000 each of Bible of 'fellow

Things for Northern Men
& Ginn's Appeal &

1000 Ebenezer Co. altered to conform to
the vote passed this evening.

Com. to
write to
Mass. Board

Resolved - That Messrs. Leavitt,
L. Zappan & J. S. Wright be a com-
mittee to communicate to the Board
of the Massachusetts Society the views
which impel this Committee to adhere
to their previous views with regard to the
arrangement heretofore subsisting
between the two Societies.

WJ

Thursday. March 7. 1837

The Committee met.

Present, A. Zappan, Sunderland,
Leavitt, L. Zappan, Cornish

Also, Hon. W. Jay & Rev. G. W. Finner
Opened with prayer

Minutes read & approved

The Treasurer's Report

Rec^d. Feb. 1 to 28. incl. \$ 1. 393.01

Paid Agents salaries & exp. 1. 631.79

Excess - 238.78

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Agency Com.
Report

S. W. Hubbard
Agent 3^{mo}.

Rev. R. H. Chipman
Ag^t. 3^{mo}.

Rev. A. St. Clair's
Salary \$800

The Agency Committee reported,
whereon it was
Resolved - That S. W. Hubbard, of
Northampton, be appointed as agent,
for three months, to labor in Mas-
sachusetts. Salary to be agreed on.

Resolved - That Rev. R. H. Chip-
man, of Haverhill, Ct. agent for
three months, to labor in Massachu-
setts - Salary to be agreed on.

Resolved - That Mr. St. Clair's
salary be eight hundred ~~th~~ dollars.

The Committee on Office location
& arrangements - reported.

Removal of
Office

Resolved - That the subject of lo-
cation be referred back to the com-
mittee, with directions to show the
proposed premises to the members
of this committee, & power to obtain
them ^{at \$6600.} or lease, if the present prem-
ises can be re-let without loss.

Comm. of
Office Corresp.

Resolved - That the correspond-
ence of the Society be entrusted, for the
present to a Commission, of three
persons, to meet one hour each
day, & examine & answer all
letters, & dispatch whatever letters
may be required -

L. Duffan, Leavitt & Mr. Ben-
edict were appointed the Committee

Seth W. Bened-
ict app^d
Asst. Sec.

Resolved - That Seth W. Benedict
be appointed Assistant Secretary

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Letters were read from Mr. Stanton
Whitman.

Rev. A. A. Phelps
L. A.

Resolved - That Rev. Amos A. Phelps
be appointed Local Agent on the
usual terms.

Com. to pre-
pare answer
to Miss. Board
Protest

Resolved - That a Committee
of three be appointed to prepare
an answer to the published Protest
of the Board of Managers of the Mass. A.
S. Society with regard to
the collection of funds.

J. Seavitt, L. R. Sunderland & J. C.
Cornish were appointed, with direc-
tions to report at a special meeting
on Monday evening next.

Seavitt to
attend Fair -
field Meeting

In reply to a letter of L. Allen Jr.
Resolved - That Mr. Seavitt be
authorized to attend the meeting
of the Fairfield Co. A. S. Soc. at Stratford
on the 13th instant, & that, in
case he cannot go, Mr. Sunderland
be requested to go.

Stanton's Speech
revised and
reprinted

On recommendation of the Pub. Com.
Resolved - That Mr. Stanton's speech
before the Mass. Legislature be re-
vised by him, & stereotyped, & 1000
copies printed.

Phelps on
Slavery -
Copy Right

Resolved - That the Publishing Agent
be directed to negotiate with Mr. Knapp,
~~with a view~~ for the copy-right of ~~his~~ Lec-
tures on Slavery, with a view to have
them revised & republished.

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Dr. Nelson's Lecture by Mrs. Child
 Resolved - That Mrs. Child be requested to prepare the Sketch of Dr. Nelson's Lecture for a small tract of 16 pp., & that it be stereotyped, & 3000 copies published.

Anti-Slavery Hymn Book
 Resolved - That Rev. Edwin F. Hatfield be requested to prepare a small Hymn Book for the Anti-Slavery Societies, to be submitted to this Committee for Publication.

Mr. Birney's bill of trav. Exp. to Hartford ordered to be paid \$18-

Adj.

Monday, March 11, 1839

The Committee met pursuant to adjournment, to hear the report.

Present, A. Zophar, J. S. Wright, Rankin, Leavitt, L. Zophar, Cornish, Sunderland.

Com. on Mass. Protest - Report

Opened with prayer.

The Committee appointed to prepare an answer to the published Protest of the Massachusetts Board, reported - Whereas

Resolved - That the report be accepted, & published in the Emancipator, & that proof slips be sent to each member of the Committee for revision.

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Resolved - That 1000 additional copies of the manifesto be printed, & sent into Major markets by the Pub. Gent.

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Thursday, March 21. 1839-

The Committee met.

Present, A. Lapham, Joubert, Birney, Sunderland, Leavitt, Davenport, ^{Committee of Managers}

Opened with prayer

Minutes of last meeting & special meeting were read & approved.

The A^gt News. reported.

Receipts, March 1 to 15, incl.	\$843.32
Paid Agents Salaries & exp.	378.92
Excess of rec ^t	464.40

Rev. John Croft
Travelling Expenses

The Agency Committee reported
Resolved - That Mr. Croft be allowed for his travelling expenses to Illinois a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars.

Rev. Chas. Cox
Agent for Selling
Publications
de.

Resolved. That ~~the~~ ^{Mr.} Charles Cox be appointed an agent for the sale of publications & to assist Mr. Finney, for three months, at a salary of eight dollars per week & travelling expenses, with directions to solicit donations as opportunity offers.

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David Turnbull

Mr. David Turnbull, a friend from England & the West Indies, was introduced by Mr. Rankin, & invited to sit with us & participate in our deliberations.

No other Committee reported.

Saml. Webb's

Letter read

A letter was read from Saml Webb, of Philad. respecting the proposed National Convention, & proposing that it be held on the anniversary of the Burning of Pennsylvania Hall.

Convention of
Abol. 30 July

Resolved - That it be held on Wednesday, July 30.

The question of place, &c. was laid on the table for advisement.

J. D. Webb's work

to be published

Mr. Leavitt made a statement respecting the work on which Mr. Webb has been engaged, respecting the Physical Condition of the Slaves.

Resolved - That it be stereotyped as a pamphlet, like *Thorne & Kimball*, & printed ^{as Examiner, No. 4,} - the size of the page to be referred to the Pub. Com.

Also - That it be ^{then} revised & published in duodecimo volume.

Committee of

Revision

Resolved - That Messrs. Birney, Leavitt, Jocelyn & Lewis ^{& Simpson} appear as a committee to examine rigidly the work prepared before it goes into the hands of the printer, & that when in type, proofs be sent to all the members of the Committee & Judge Fay for revision.

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Resolved - That it is important to have it for sale by the anniversary.

Money matters with N.Y. State Society

A letter was read from A. G. Williams, Financial Agent of the New York State A. S. Society, to the Stth Treas. & one from Mr. Kellogg, Treas. of said Society, to Mr. Lapham, giving information that the installment guaranteed to be paid into our treasury on the 1st of February, & for which a draft had been made, will not be paid.

Resolved - That the Finance Committee write to the Executive Committee of the New York State Anti-Slavery Society, informing them that unless the obligations are ~~met~~ met, we have no alternative but to consider the arrangement at an end, & that we shall be happy to enter into such an understanding with regard to our future operations as will be mutually satisfactory.

Committee to attend Mass. Quarterly Meeting.

Resolved - That Messrs. Birney, Leavitt & L. Lapham be appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting of the Massachusetts Anti-Slavery Society, on Friday next.

West Indian Narrative.

Resolved, That a brief narrative of the complete emancipation in the W. I. brought down to the present time, be prepared by Mr. Leavitt, as

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an appendix to the 12 mo. edition
of *Monnet & Kimball*.

Invitation to
Anniversary.

Resolved - That a circular be
printed, inviting the attendance
of friends at the Anniversary.

Mr. Birney's Bill
of Expenses

Mr. Birney's Bill of expenses to
Massachusetts, ordered to be paid \$35-

Mr. Leavitt's Bill
of Expenses

Mr. Leavitt's Bill of expenses to
Shatford, ordered to be paid - \$7.75

Adj.

Thursday, April 4. 1839

The Committee met at the Office.

Present, A. Tappan, Denbar, Joubert,
Birney, Sunderland, Leavitt, L. Tappan,
E. Wright, Jr. & J. S. Wright. Also, Judge Jay & A.D.
Willcox Esq.
Opened with prayer
Minutes read & approved

The Agency Committee reported.

Rev. A. M. Mc

Farland, Utica, O.,

appointed agt.

Resolved - That Rev. A. M. McFar-
land, of Utica, Licking Co. Ohio, ^{be appointed}
Local Agent, on the usual terms.

E. O. Hall, Black

River, N.Y. app. agt.

Resolved - That Rev. E. O. Hall,
of Black Rock, N.Y. be appointed
an agent for one year, at a salary

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of eight Dollars per week & travelling expenses, to labor in Indiana

*A. W. Pitto,
Millville, Mo.,
app. Agt.* Resolved - That Thomas W. Pitto, of Millville, Mo., ^{be appointed} as agent for six months, at a salary of five hundred Dollars a year & travelling expenses, to labor at present in concert with Mr. Stanton.

The Publishing Committee reports

*"Star of Freedom"
at cost.* Resolved - That the book called Star of Freedom be purchased at cost.

*Emancipator
for gratuitous
distribution.* Resolved - That the Publishing Committee be authorized, at their discretion, to publish, and in three months, not exceeding 10,000 additional copies of the Emancipator, for gratuitous distribution.

*Donation of
books to Mr.
Leet, N.J.* Resolved - That Mr. Leet, of New Jersey, be allowed a donation of \$20 worth of our publications, for gratuitous circulation.

*Natl. A.S. Con.
Leet, Jr. Saml.
Webb, Phila.* A letter was read from Samuel Webb, of Philadelphia, stating that no suitable place can be had in Philadelphia for the National A.S. Convention to meet.

*N. A. S. Con.
Albany fixed
on as the place.* Resolved - That Albany be designated as the place of meeting of the Proposed Convention.

Com. Arrangts. Resolved - That the appointment of a Committee of Arrangements for the Convention be referred to the

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"Colored American." Resolved, That three dollars, \$3, per week, be appropriated for use its columns. The cost of one column of the Colored American for one year, with the understanding that the sum go towards the salary of Mr. Cornish as editor.

Mr. Cornish
app. to superin-
tend our concern
in "Col. Am." "

Resolved - That Mr. Cornish be appointed for the present to superintend, as a member of this Committee, that portion of the paper.

Com. Arrangts.
for Ann. Meetg.

The Committee of Arrangements reported progress.

Adored this bill
of Fin. Ag. in
Mass. referred
to Fin. Com.

Mr. Hildreth's bill, of salary & expenses as financial agent in Massachusetts, was referred to the Financial Committee, with power.

Mr. Birney's
bill of expenses
paid.

Mr. Birney's Bill of travelling expenses to Boston & Andover was ordered to be paid - \$20 -

Mr. Birney
allowed to visit
Ohio.

Resolved - That the Committee consent that Mr. Birney attend the anniversary of the Ohio Society, at Putnam on the 29th of May.

In consequence of the payment, by the New York State Society,

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N.Y. State
Soc. Funds.

of the amount admitted by them to be due on the installment due on the 1st of February, the Secretaries be instructed not to communicate the resolution of the last meeting - leaving the amount claimed by this Committee on account of salaries of our agents, unsettled.

Adj. Treas.
Report.

The Assistant Treasurer reported
Received from March 1 to 30 \$1.649.48
Paid agents salaries & expenses 1.905.60
Excess of payments 256.12

Proposed
Daily A.S.
Paper in N.Y.

Mr. A.O. Wilcox & Mr. Benedict, on behalf of a Committee appointed by the late City Convention, presented a proposal for a daily paper in this city, called the U.S. Intelligencer, pledged to no political party, but to be Anti-Slavery in its character.

Resolved - That we regard the establishment of a daily paper in this city similar in design to the proposed U.S. Intelligencer as an important auxiliary to the Anti-Slavery Cause.

"Jay's View."
Proposal to
Purchase of
Mr. Taylor.

Resolved - That the Publishing Committee be authorized to purchase of Mr. Taylor the entire edition of Jay's View, or to negotiate with Judge Jay for the privilege of publishing a pamphlet edition.

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Engraved.
Diploma.

Resolved - That the Publishing Committee procure a suitable design for an engraved diploma of membership of the American Anti-Slavery Society

Annual Report,
in progress.

Mr. Wright Loving stated, that the Annual Report was in such a state of forwardness that he wished to submit it to the Committee.

Resolved - That a special meeting be held for the purpose of considering the report, on Thursday evening next, at 7 o'clock.

Adj'd.

Thursday, April 11. 1839

A special meeting was held to hear the Annual Report

Present, A. Luffman, J. S. Wright, E. Wright Jr - Sunderland, Leavitt, L. Luffman, Jocelyn

Pres. Green
on A. J.

Resolved - That President Green be requested to complete the pamphlet on the New Testament, by the time of the anniversary, & that the sending of proofs to the Committee be dispensed with.

A letter was read from Gerrit

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J. Smith's Smith, respecting the publication
Lett. to H. Clay. of his reply to Henry Clay.

Resolved. That the Reply be
published, under direction of Lewis
Jaffan, as an Examiner, two
thousand copies.

State Soc^s
requested to pay
by 1st May.

Resolved. That letters be written to
the State Societies, requesting them
to make their payments by the 1st
of May, so that they may be in-
cluded in the Annual Report.

Vote of thanks
to Jos. Sturge.

Resolved - That the thanks of this
Committee be presented to Joseph
Sturge, of Birmingham, for the
donation of one hundred copies
of his valuable work on the West
Indies.

The draft of the Annual Report
was read by Mr. Wright, as far as
page 30, & commented on by the
several members.

Adj^d.

Thursday, April 18, 1839

The Committee met
Present, A. Jaffan, Birney,
Sunderland, Scovitt, L. Jaffan,
E. Wright Jr.

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Opened with prayer.
Minutes of the two previous meetings read & approved.

—
Ass^t. Treas.Rept.
—

The Asst^t Treas. reported
Cash rec^d, April 1 to 15, \$959.59
Paid agents salaries & exp. 939.28
Exp^d rec^d 28.31

—
Rev. J. Morse,
St. Johnsbury, Vt.,
app^t ag^t
—

The Agency Committee reported
& Resolved — That Rev. Josiah Morse,
of St. Johnsbury, Vt. be re-appointed
as Local Agent, on the usual terms.

—
Ann^d. Rept.

The Committee of Agents
reported in continuation.

—
Rev. J. Croft ^{declines}
to go to Ill.
—

A letter was read from Rev. J.
Croft, declining to go to Illinois,
on account of the expense ^{of removal} being
so much greater than the allowance.

—
Vt. instalment.

A letter was read from J. A. Allen,
Sec. of the Vt. Society, giving assurance
that the instalment will be paid

—
Birney's bill
of expenses p^d.
—

Mr. Birney's bill, of half his expenses
to Utica & Peterborough, ordered to be
paid, \$12.50 —

—
A. S. Exam. for
1838 to all names
in New List
—

Resolved — That the A. S. Examiner
Enam. in 1838, be sent to all the
names on the new list.

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— The report was then resumed, & the
Ansl. Rept. reading pursued as far as page 63, &
— commented on by the members.

Adjourned, to meet again on Thurs-
day evening next, at 7 o'clock.

Thursday, April 25.

The Committee met, pursuant to
adjournment, to hear the report.

Present, A. Lapham, L. Lapham,
E. Wright Jr. J. J. Birney, Lewis.

Also, Rev. C. W. Jenison, invited to
sit with us.

Opened with prayer.

— A letter was read from Dr. Gann-
ett Bailey, Jr. on behalf of the Ex-
J. J. Birney ecutive Committee of the Ohio Anti-
invited to return Slavery Society, inviting Mr. Birney
to Ohio. to return & labor in that State!

— Resolved — That, in our judgment,
Com. decline. it is plainly inexpedient for Mr. Bir-
ney to leave his present position

— The balance of the report was read,
and remarks made by the members.

Dr. Nelson's Agency. A letter was read from Dr. Nelson
on the subject of our agency

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Sec. to write
Dr. Nelson.

Resolved - That the Secretary cor-
respond with him and express the
desire of the Committee that he
should devote himself entirely to the
Anti-Slavery Cause.

A.S. Almanac.
Weld to employ
Southard.

Resolved - That Mr. Weld be au-
thorised to engage the services of Mr.
Southard to assist him in pre-
paring the A.S. Almanac for 1840,
at a reasonable compensation, to
be agreed on & reported to this Com.

Libraries: for
Historical Soc. &
Seminaries.

Resolved - That the Com. be
directed to inquire & re-
port respecting the expediency
of furnishing sets of our pub-
lications to the # Libraries of
the Historical Society & of different
Seminaries of Learning -

Adj?

Thursday, May 2, 1839

The Committee met.

Present, A. Tappan, Birney, Stan-
ton, Sunderland, Leavitt, L. Tappan,
Rankin, Jolyne, Cornish - J. S. Wright
Also, Rev. John Rankin, of Ohio,
invited to sit with us.

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Opened with prayer

Minutes of the last meeting and
extra meeting were read & approved.

The Agency Committee reported

Rev. E. O. Hall;
his salary.

Resolved - That the salary of Rev. E.
O. Hall be five hundred dollars a year,
payable quarterly, with travelling
expenses.

The Committee on Publications re-
ported.

"Slave's Friend"
to be resumed.

Resolved - That the publication
of the Slave's Friend be resumed, but
published less frequently than formerly
under the direction of the Pub. Com.

Resolved - That No. 39. be stereotyped,
& 5000 copies published.

"Clay & Calhoun?"
a lithograph.

Resolved - That the Print of Clay
& Calhoun be published by the Society,
& that a thousand copies be printed on
letter sheet to send to Members of Congress,
Post Masters, &c.

Pub. agt.
authorized to
pub. 10,000 Mels
on Slavery.

Resolved - That ~~the~~ the Publishing
Agent be authorized to publish ten thou-
sand copies of Mr. Weld's work on the
condition of slaves, ~~as~~ as the demand
may require, in editions of not ~~less~~ ^{more}
than 2000, one thousand to be bound
in cloth.

Printed A. S.
Motto's.

Resolved - That the Publishing Agent
procure letter paper, with printed Anti-
Slavery Mottoes, for sale at the office.

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N. Y. Histor. Soc.:

all bound vols., &
books hereafter
pub^d, presented
to it.

Resolved - That a set of all our
bound volumes, with every book to
be hereafter published, be presented
to the Library of the New York Library
Historical Society.

A. S. Hymn

Book: by

Rev. C. W. Denison.

Resolved - To give Rev. C. W.
Denison thirty three dollars for the
~~manuscript~~ selection of Anti-Slavery
Hymns prepared by him.

Resolved - That it be referred to the
Publishing Committee to revise, com-
pile and publish a Hymn Book,
not exceeding 200 hymns.

Jepe Holmes,
of Ohio, asks aid
in an expected
V^a law suit.

Mr. Birney reported a letter from
Jepe Holmes, of Ohio, respecting an
apprehended suit at law ^{in Virginia}, & inquiring
whether this Committee will defray
the expense.

Com. decline
any pledge to
the above.

Resolved - That the letter be an-
swered, expressing an interest in
the suit, but by no means pledging
this Committee for any expense.

Birney's visit to
Norwich, Ct.,
and expenses.

Mr. Birney reported his visit
to Norwich.

Resolved - That Mr Birney's bill
of travelling exp. be paid \$7.50

Stanton's labors
in Mass. -

State Soc. p^d thr.
pledge of \$10,000.

Mr. Stanton reported his labors
in Massachusetts, & that the State
Society have paid the share amount
guaranteed to our treasury \$10,000

A communication was received

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Cent. A. - W. S. S. Soc.
Southard resigns
his Agency.

from N. Southard, resigning his agency,
but offering to assist in regard to the Cent-
a-week collections, until an agent
is obtained.

His proposal
accepted.

Resolved - That his proposal res-
pecting the Cent-a-week, be referred
to the Finance Committee, with
power.

His
Acc^t paid.

Resolved - That his account,
to April 12, be allowed & paid \$147.07

Weld's Salary:
reduced, at his
own request, to
\$700 per. ann.

Resolved - That Mr. Weld's salary,
at his own request, be reduced to \$700
a year, and that a vote to that effect
be inserted in the margin of the
vote for his appointment as Editor.

Pub. Agt. to
procure places
for Delegates to
An^d. Meet^g.

Resolved - That the Publishing
Agent be authorized to employ
persons to procure places for dele-
gates, & to solicit funds to defray ex-
penses of such supporting delegates.

Almanacs:
for An^d. Meet^g.

Resolved - That 3000 Almanacs
be placed at the disposal of the Com-
mittee of Arrangements, with such
other publications as they may require
for distribution at the Anniversary.

Pub. Agt. to
settle with Mr.
Knapp, Boston.

Resolved - That the Publishing
Agent be authorized to settle Mr. Knapp's
bill for publications & printing fur-
nished to Mr. Stanton in 1837, for
use among the Massachusetts Legislature

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Resolved - That Messrs. Leavitt,
Com. on Abst. Stanton, Birney, Rankin & a
Sec. Rept. Committee to examine & report upon
the Abstract of the Secretary's Report.

Resolved - That Mr. Stanton's
Stanton's bill Bill of travelling expenses be re-
of expenses p. ferred to the Finance Committee
to examine & settle.

The Assistant Treasurer reported -
Cash received into the Treasury,
from April 1 to 30 inclusive \$4,539.78
Cash paid agents salaries &
expenses same period 2,612.13
Excess of receipts 1,927.65

Adj^d

150.

Board of Managers - 1839

At a meeting of the Board of Managers of the American Anti Slavery Society, held at Chatham Street Chapel, 5mo. (May) 9th, 1839.

Francis Jackson, one of the Vice Presidents, in the chair; & Wm. Bapsett was appointed Secretary.

— Election of Exec. Com. —
The Board then proceeded to the election of an Executive Committee for the ensuing year, & the following gentlemen were duly elected, viz:

Names of Exec. Com.

Arthur Tappan
James G. Birney
John Rankin
S. E. Cornish
Lewis Tappan
Duncan Dunbar
S. S. Jochum
La Roy Sunderland
John Leavitt
Henry B. Stanton
Theodore S. Wright, &
James S. Gibbons

Attest - Wm Bapsett, Secy

A true copy
Attest - John Leavitt
Rec. Sec.

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The Executive Committee met to organize for the year, on Saturday, May 11. 1859.

Present, A. Tappan, J. G. Birney, J. Rankin, L. R. Sunderland, Lewis Tappan, J. S. Wight, James^S Gibbons & H. B. Stanton.

Opened with prayer.

Mr. Tappan was appointed chairman for the ensuing year.

H. B. Stanton was appointed secretary pro tem.

It having been made known to this Committee, that Lewis Tappan, on yesterday, ~~has~~ offered his resignation, as a member of said Committee to the American Anti Slavery Society, & that said Society took no action thereon — Whereupon, Mr. Tappan, at the request of the members present, agreed to remain in the Committee.

Lewis Tappan's
resignation
reconsidered &
him; on request
to remain in the
Ex. Com.

Resolved - That the following ^{be} Standing Committees — viz on
Agencies
Publications
Finance, &
Free People of Color.

Standing Coms.

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Thinking Committee.

Agency Committee, A. Tappan
Sunderland
Birney
Stanton
Leavitt

Com. on Publications

Rankin
Jocelyn
L. Tappan
Leavitt
Sunderland

Finance Committee, L. Tappan
Rankin
Stanton
Gibbons
Cornish

People of color

Jocelyn
Wright
Cornish
A. Tappan
Dunbar

Bye Laws
to be revised.

Ann. Rep.
referred to a
Spec. Com.

On motion of L. Tappan, —

L. Tappan, Leavitt, & Sunder-
land, were appointed a Committee
to revise the Bye-Laws of this Com.

Resolved — That the Annual Re-
port of the last year, with the pro-
ceedings of the Annual Meetings
of the Society, be referred to Messrs.
Stanton, Rankin & Gibbons, — to
read, & report what parts of the

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same should be published.

Com. app.^r to prepare an Address to Abolitionists of U. S.
Resolved - That Messrs. Birney, Stanton, Leavitt & L. Tappan, be a Committee to prepare an address to the Abolitionists of the United States, in regard to the present state of the cause.

Resolve for \$100,000.
On motion of L. Tappan -
Resolved - That one hundred thousand dollars ought to be raised for this Committee during the ensuing year.

Plan for it.
Resolved - That the Finance Committee be directed to report a plan to accomplish the aforesaid object.

R. J. Williams to be app.^r
Resolved - That the Fin. Com. be empowered to employ R. J. Williams as a Financial Agent, for one year, at a salary not exceeding \$1200.

Sent. invited to sit.
J. Coddins, W. L. Chaplin, & A. St. Clair, being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

Emancipator: its printing.
Resolved - That the subject of contracting for the publication of the Emancipator, & of discontinuing the publication of Human Rights, be referred to the Committee on Publication.

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Arrangts.
with State Soc^s

on motion of H. B. Stanton,

Resolved - That the Secretaries be directed to correspond with the Executive Committee of those State Societies in which our agents are laboring, in regard to making temporary arrangements concerning their labor in those States.

Weld declines
Corr. Secshp.

A letter from Theodore D. Weld, was presented, - declining the office of Corresponding Secretary of the Am. Anti-Slavery Society, to which he had been elected.

Adj^d to meet on Tuesday next, at 4 o'clock
P. M.

Tuesday, May 14

The Committee met, pursuant to adjournment -

Present, A. Lapham, Birney, Sunderland, Stanton, L. Lapham, Gibbons, Jorey, Leavitt, Wight -

Also, John G. Whittier & Theodore D. Weld, invited to sit with us.

Opened with prayer.

Addres to
Abts. U. S. -

Birney's Draft.

Mr. Birney, presented the committee to prepare an Address, reported on, draft. Which was read & discussed at considerable length, & then referred back to the Committee, with directions to call a meeting when they are prepared to report.

The proceedings of the Board of Managers were written by mistake - H.

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Stanton prep'd
to go to A.S.M.
Hartford, Ct. Mr. Stanton stated that he had a very urgent
invitation to attend the meeting of the Com-
missioners Anti-Slavery Society at Hartford.

Com. decline
opening him. Resolved - That in the present state
of our business, it is inexpedient for him
to go to Hartford.

"Slav. as it is":
Copies for Europe. Resolved - That one hundred copies of
"Slavery as it is," be put into the hands
of Theodore D. Weld, for distribution to
individuals in Europe, & one hundred
copies presented to Joseph Sturge, of
Birmingham.

Negotiations
with Friends
in Brit. Britain
for a Convⁿ. Resolved - That this Committee
will negotiate with the Abolition
friends in Great Britain, with refer-
ence to a Convention of the friends
of Emancipation throughout the
world; to meet in London at
such time in the year 1840 as
may be thought advisable.

Wm. Lloyd Garrison

Monday, May 20, 1839.

The Committee met, to revise
the address. Present, A. Zappan,
L. R. Sunderland, J. S. Wright, J. Leav-
itt, & J. S. Gibbons.
Opened with prayer.

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J. V. P.

sits with Com.

Rowland J. Robinson, of N. a Vice President of the Society, being present, was invited to sit with us.

Draft of
Address

read & referred

The re-draft of an Address was presented, for the Committee on that subject, & was read, discussed, amended, & then referred back to the Committee,

Agreed, to meet at the call of the Committee on the Address.

Thursday, May 23, 1839

The Committee met -

Present - A. Tappan, Jorelyn, Leavitt, Dumber, Cornish & Gibbons
Also, Arnold Buffum, of Philad.^a
invited to sit in consultation with us

Opened with Prayer

The minutes of three previous meetings were read & approved.

Plan for
Money.

The Finance Committee reported a plan of finance, which, after discussion was referred back to the same committee.

The Committee on Fin the Thruout Report did not report.

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The Committee on By-Laws did not report.

Mass.

A letter from William Lloyd Garrison, M. L. Garrison Secretary of the Massachusetts Anti Slavery Society, communicating the wishes of our Agents there that Board respecting our agents in Massachusetts.

Referred to the Agency Committee

Offer from

W. L. Garrison, the same Board, proposing ^{to make an effort raise at least} to ~~pledge~~ five thousand dollars to our treasury on certain conditions.

Com^s Reply.

Resolved - That this Committee will gratefully receive any sums that may be given to our treasury by a State Society, or any other auxiliaries, as well as by individuals; & that all moneys be acknowledged by States, as heretofore; but that we do not think it expedient to make ~~it~~ any arrangements by which donations made directly to our treasury shall be credited to another Society, except at the will of the donors.

Resolved - That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Massachusetts Board

The Committee on the Address reported progress & was continued.

G. Storrs
app^r. Ag^t

A letter was read from George Storrs. Resolved. That George Storrs be appointed an agent for one year.

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Ston's App^t

at a salary of \$1000 & traveling Exp., with special reference to his being employed in visiting the Methodist Conferences & Conventions.

Arnold Buffum,
'the latter', will
act as Agt.

Arnold Buffum expressed a willingness, to accept an appointment as agent.

Adjourned

Monday, May 27th

The Committee met to attend to the Address.

Present, A. Tappan, J. L. G. Gibbons, Leavitt & Stanton.

Opened with prayer.

Draft Address
accept?

The draft of the Address was read carefully criticised, amended, & adopted, & ordered to be published in the Emancipator, signed by the President & Recording Secretary.

Stanton's Bill
of Expenses.

Mr. Stanton's bill of Expenses to Norristown, was ordered to be paid \$11.19

Ann. Rept.
Amended.

The Committee on the other annual Report reported that they had revised the Report & made such alterations & omissions as were judged necessary, and -

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Rep^t to be
furn^d in proof
to each memb.
Com.

Resolved - That the Report be put to
press, that proofs be sent to each
member of the Committee for cor-
rection, & that the proposed alter-
ations be referred to the secretaries for
insertion.

A Circular
to Auxiliaries.

Resolved - That Mr. Stanton pre-
pare a ~~new~~ Circular to auxiliary
Societies & abolitionists, setting forth
the vote of the Society on State Lotteries, the
wants of our treasury, & the in-
dispensable necessity of their contribu-
tion - & that 10,000 copies be published
of an Emancipator Extra, containing
the Address & Circular.

Adj

Thursday ~~May~~ June 6. 1859

The Committee met

Present, A. Tappan, Stanton,
Leavitt, Gibbons, J. J. Wright,
L. Tappan.

Also, Harriet J. Robinson, V. P.
of Unitarian, Rev. G. Storrs, & R. G.
Williams, invited to sit with us.

Opened with prayer.

Minutes of two last meetings
read & approved.

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—
H. Treas.^s
Rept.
—

The Assistant Treasurer reported
 Received for May 1 to 6 (incl.) 3.647.39
 Paid out " " " 1.044.67
 Excess of rec^ts 2.602.72
 Rec^d May 7 to 31 (incl.) 650.23
 Paid out " " " 628.66
 Excess .. 21.57

—
Agency Com.
Rep^t in

Whereupon —
 Resolved — That the appointment
 for appoint. of Rev. A. J. Rankin to labor in Indiana,
 Rev. A. J. Rankin be renewed, on the same terms, as before.

—
Agt. withdrawn
fr. Mass.

Resolved — That, in compliance
 with the request of the Board of
 Managers of the Mass. Anti-Slavery
 Soc. our agents now employed in
 that State be directed to other fields.

—
Rev. D. Nelson
app?

Resolved — That Rev. David Nelson,
 of Quincy, Illinois, be appointed an
 agent for six months, to labor in the
 Eastern States, at a salary of one
 thousand dollars a year, & board exp.

—
Mr. Pitts app.
for R. I.

Resolved — That Mr. Pitts' ap-
 pointment be renewed, on the
 same terms as before, provided
 it is agreeable to the Rhode Island
 A. S. Society that he should labor
 in that State.

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Resolved - That Rev. Isaac Merriam,
Rev. I. Merriam, of Farmington, Ohio, be appointed an
agent for one year, to labor in Ohio,
at a salary of ~~\$~~ five hundred and
fifty dollars & trav. expenses.

Resolved - That Rev. Mr. Barris & Rev.
Rev. Messrs. Barris & John Rankin be appointed to
labor for one year in Ohio, to
be compensated with as to the salary
they will need.

Resolved - That Rev. W. J. Allen
Rev. W. J. Allen be appointed agent for one year, to
labor in Illinois, salary five hundred
dollars, & trav. Exp.

Resolved That Rev. Joseph Myers
J. Myers, of Waterville, Me., be appointed
of Waterville, Meida Co. be appointed
an agent for one year. Salary to be
of field in.

Resolved - That Rev. Nathan
Rev. N. Stern, of Norristown, be appointed
agent for one year, to labor in
Pennsylvania, if agreeable to
the Executive Committee of the
Eastern District. Salary to be
agreed on.

Rev. Leonard Fletcher was also
appointed in the same manner.

A. Buffum: The nomination of A. Buffum
further inquiry. Buffum was laid on the table for further inquiry.

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Rev. E. Galusha
app. to labor
with Baptists.

Resolved - That Rev. Elon Galusha
of Perry, N.Y. be appointed agent for one
year, with a particular view to labor
among the Baptists, at a salary of
nine hundred dollars, & trav. Exp.

Rev. A. St. Clair, of Mass. asking atty,
being present, was invited to sit with us.

The Am. or Publications reported.
Whereas it was

"Human Rights"
discontinued?

Resolved. That the Human Rights
be discontinued at the close of the vol-
ume, & that subscribers who have
paid in advance be supplied with
the A. S. Lecturer.

Ann. Rept.

Res. - That 2500 of the Ann. Report
be printed, in similar style to
the last: - to be distributed to those
members of the Society who at-
tended the meeting, to such theo-
logians as have reported their
present condition, & to all con-
tributors of ten dollars & upwards.

"Morris's Speech."

Res. - To strengthen Morris's
speech, as an examination &
print 1000 copies.

"A. S. Lecturer."

A resolution respecting the
transfer of the Lecturer to this
city was laid on the table.

The Am. or Finance reported,
Whereas it was

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Arrangt.
with State Soc.

Agents to
raise Funds.

Finance Com.
employ temporary
Agents.

Circulars
for Funds.

Mr. Southard
to be employed
by Fin. Com.
Secs. to get aid
as they need.

Resolved - That the secretaries
correspond with the State Societies
to ascertain on what terms a cor-
responding arrangement can be
made with them, so that our agents
can act in concert with those societies.

Resolved - That our agents be di-
rected to make it a leading object
of their labors to raise funds for our
treasury.

Resolved - That the Finance Com-
mittee be ~~authorized~~ authorized
to employ persons for short seasons,
a day, week, or month, in the col-
lection of funds; & to instruct the
agents to do the same.

Resolved - That the Finance Com-
mittee be authorized to issue
circulars for the collection of
money at their discretion.

Resolved That Fin. Com. meet with Southard, and make his proposal.

Resolved - That the secretaries be
empowered to employ assistance
in the circulation of petitions.

A resolution offered by Lewis Kappan,
requiring auxiliaries hereafter
formed to send their constitution to
be reviewed by this Committee, was
discussed, & laid on the table.

Mr. St. Clair presented the re-
quest of the Massachusetts Abolition
Society, recently formed, to be recognized

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as auxiliary to this Society.

Mass. Abn.

Soc. recognized.

Whereupon it was
Resolved - That the Mass. Abolition Society be recognized as auxiliary to this Society according to the Constitution.

Messrs. Leavitt & Gibbons voting in the negative.

N. E. Convⁿ.

Resolutions.

A letter was presented from the Secretaries of the New England Convention, enclosing resolutions of that body and enumerating of the proceedings, in the formation of the Massachusetts Abol. Society.

Whereupon it was

Com^s Reply.

Resolved - That inasmuch as the Constitution of the Am. Anti Slavery Soc. provides that "any A. S. Society ~~may~~ ^{could} be founded on the same principles may be auxiliary to this Society;" this Committee are not called upon to express an opinion as to the expediency or propriety of the proceedings connected with the formation of the Mass. Abol. Soc.

"Slav. as it is."

Mass. Abn. Soc.

A proposal from the Mass. Abol. Soc. relating to the purchase of "Am. Slavery as it is," was referred to the Pub. Com.

Texas.

A resolution offered by Mr. J. J. Phelps with reference to Texas, was laid on the table till next meeting.

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Rev. C. W. Denison
writes.

A letter from Rev. C. W. Denison, offering his services for a part of the time, was referred to the committee.

The Com. on By. Laws reported & their report was deferred.

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Thursday June 20. 1859

The Committee met.

Present, A. Zopher, Sunderland, Leavitt, L. Zopher, Gibbons, Jocelyn, Cornish.

Opened with Prayer.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Rev. C. W. Denison, being present, was invited to sit with us.

The Young Committee reported.

Resolved.

That Thomas Earle Esq. of Philad. be appointed an agent, for one year, provided he will devote himself entirely to the agency, & provided a satisfactory arrangement can be made with the Eastern Pa. A. S. Society - His salary to be \$1500, & traveling expenses.

Thos. Earle
of Phil. app.
Ag't.

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Rev. L. Lee,
of Utica, N.Y.,
app. Agt.

Resolved - That Rev. Luther Lee, of
Utica, be appointed agent for one
year, at a salary of \$900. & travel exp.
(with the expense of removal) to labor
in Michigan, if agreed to by the
Miss. State Soc.

Rev. W. Warren,
of Conn., app.
Agt.

Resolved - That Rev. Walter Warren
of ~~And~~ Ironsburh, Conn. be ap-
pointed agent for one year, at
a salary of \$600, & travel exp.
to labor in L. I. if a satisfactory
arrangement is made with the N.Y.
State A.S. Soc.

The Publishing Com. be reported
wherever

R. G. Williams's
app. confirmed.

Resolved. That R. G. Williams be
appointed Book Agent, to promote
the sale of the Society's publications,
for one year, at a salary of \$1350,
besides traveling Exp.

Mr. Wm's
instructions.

Resolved - That Mr. Williams be
authorized to employ agents, under
direction of the Pub. Com: at wages
not exceeding \$20 to \$30 a month,
in establishing libraries, selling
publications, & obtaining subscribers
to the Emancipator.

Resolved - That the Book Agent
be empowered to sell publications
on a credit of three to six months,
where the amount is over fifty dollars,
taking endorsed notes payable at banks.

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Book agt
Circular.

Resolved - That the Book Agent be authorized to print a circular, 1000 copies.

"Slaves as 'tis"
State & Col.
action.

Resolved - That if any State or County assisting will undertake to furnish copies gratuitously of "Slaves as 'tis" to every minister of the Gospel, or every physician, or every lawyer, or every magistrate, within their bounds, they shall be immediately entitled to purchase copies of the work for that purpose, at cost: & that this be announced in the Union.

Boston on
Slave Trade.

Resolved - That an edition of Boston on the Slave Trade be published in pamphlet form under direction of Mr. Leavitt, with a preface by him - to be ~~re-printed~~ stopped.

Fin. Com.

The Finance Committee reported that they had issued a circular as ordered, for funds.

Tappan's
Res. on Assoc.

Mr. L. Tappan's resolutions on Auxiliary Societies, was taken up, and read, & passed, as follows:

Same.

Resolved. That any Anti-Slavery Society hereafter formed, wishing to become assisting to this Society, shall communicate to this Committee a copy of their constitution, & if it is found conformable with the constitution of this Society,

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a certificate of ~~union~~ ^{amplification} shall be given, signed by the President & Secretary.

same.

Resolved. That the Committee on Finance prepare a form of Certificate of Amplification.

Same.

Resolved. That if any existing Society wishes a certificate of amplification, they may receive it in the same terms.

Texas.

Mr. Joubert's resolution on Texas was taken up & withdrawn.

✓
R. I. Soc.
Proposal.

A letter was read from the Rhode Island Anti-Slavery Society, giving the agents of their Ex. Com. to the proposition for Mr. Pitts to labor in that State, on condition that he be "allowed to labor under the general counsel" of that Com. & that "the money which he may raise shall be appropriated, first, to pay his own salary, & the balance to be paid into the State Treasury, one half of which" they "guarantee to the Am. Society."

Accept proposal.

Resolved. That we accept the conditions proposed by the R. I. Soc.

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Pa. East. Soc.

A letter was read from the Penn. Eastern A. S. Soc. giving their assent to our proposition to send agents to that State Eastern Pa. "provided that all monies collected by them

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Not be credited to the State Society, & the Committee of the Am. Society consult with this Committee as to their plan of action."

Rec. Sec. to
write to P.

Resolved - That the Recording Secretary write to that Committee for explanation respecting the credit to be given to the State Socy.

G. M. Finney's
salary increased.

Resolved - That Mr. Finney's salary be raised to eight hundred dollars a year, commencing at the last quarterly day.

Adj.

Tuesday, July 2nd 1839

Stanton's Call.

The Committee met, on a special call, to confer with Mr. Stanton who was about to leave town -

Present - A. Tappan, Stanton, Sunderland, Leavitt, Gibbons, Jorhyn.

Opened with prayer

On motion of H. B. Stanton

Stanton's Plan.

Resolved - That it is expedient to take special measures, by personal visitation, to obtain a full supply of agents, both to lecture & to raise funds, in those fields

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which are open to our operations

Stanton sent
to Pa.

Resolved - That Mr. Stanton be directed to go to Pennsylvania, to see what can be done in procuring agents.

Appointments
to Agencies:

Resolved - That the following persons be appointed Agents, for one year.

- ✓ Charles S. Renshaw, Ohio, \$500
- ✓ John J. Minter, Illinois, \$500
- ✓ James M. McKim, Penn. \$8 a week
- ✓ Arnold Buffum, Ind. \$500⁵⁰⁰ & exp of removing.

✓ R. B. Little, Esq. Pa. to be considered with us to his salary.

"Jay's View"
stereotyped.

Resolved - That Judge Jay's "Views" be stereotyped in 12 nos. & put up in no. plate & volume form.

Joseph Sturge's
Letter

A letter was read from Joseph Sturge, Birmingham, dated June 6, 1840, respecting the ^{General} Conference of Anti-Slavery Delegates, to be held in London, in the year 1840; & also, inviting a Deputation from this Committee to attend the annual meeting of the Birmingham Anti-Slavery Society on the 1st of August.

Leavitt for
England.

S. S. Johnson moved that J. Leavitt be appointed to proceed to England in

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the Liverpool. After discussion, it was laid on the table for the present.

On motion of H. B. Stanton,

J. G. Whittier
app. Cor. Sec.

Resolved - That John G. Whittier be appointed Corresponding Secretary in place of Theodore D. Weld, declined -

His salary.

Resolved - That his salary be \$1000 a year.

To accompany
Stanton to Pa.

Resolved - That Mr. Stanton be authorized to engage Mr. Whittier to accompany him, in his journey in Pennsylvania, & pay his travelling expenses.

Reporter
for Nat. Conv.

Resolved - That the Publishing Committee be authorized to employ a reporter for the National Convention.

Emancipator:
gratuitously.

Resolved - That the Emancipator be offered, gratuitously, for one year, to every preacher who will deliver a lecture on Slavery & take up a collection for this Society in his stated place of labor.

Corresponding
Agents.

A motion of J. Leavitt, respecting the designation of Corresponding Agents to take the oversight of the work in specified districts, was discussed, & laid on the table.

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Bills p^d

The following bills were ordered to be paid, viz

H. B. Stanton, R. Exp. to Porter, Auburn
& Union Village — \$42.72
J. Leavitt, R. Exp. to Fairfield Co &
Union Vill. \$17.12

Adjourned

Sunday, July 19, 1839

The Committee met. Present
A. Zappan, Cornish, Stanton, Sum-
derland, Leavitt, Gibbons, Jocelyn.
L. Zappan

Also, Rev. George Storr, Agent, & Z.
Plett, Esq. a member of the Ex. Com.
of the Michigan A. S. Society.

Opened with prayer.
Minutes of the last two meetings
read & approved.

The Agency Committee
reported, whereupon

Rev. ~~Carle~~
Local Agt

Resolved - That Rev. Jacob Erb,
Bishop of the United Brethren in
Christ, Harrisburg, Pa. as Local
Agent, on the usual terms.

Rev. Barris
Local Agt

Also, Rev. J. S. Barris, of Monroe,
Ohio

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Rev. Rankin
Local Agt
with
Special Terms

Resolved - Resolved that Rev. John Rankin, Ripley, Ohio, be appointed a Local Agent; on the terms proposed in his letter, viz, to be allowed two dollars per day for the time he may expend, he finding his own horse & paying his expenses, & collecting sufficient to pay himself, remitting the overplus to our treasury.

Mr. Beckley

The appointment of Mr. Beckley was laid on the table for some inquiries.

By Laws

The Committee on By-Laws reported a set of By-Laws, which were taken up, considered article by article, amended, & adopted, & ordered to be printed on a sheet, with the names of the Ex. Com. & of the Standing Committees. 50 copies.

Stanton's
Rept. of journey

Mr. Stanton made an interesting report of his journey in Pennsylvania, his visit to Gov. Ritner, his meetings at Harrisburg, his interviews with Mr. Earle, with Mr. McKim, Elder Bernward & Elder Aurn, Prof Reynolds, President Schuncker, the prospects of agents, the need of Anti-Slavery labor in the central portions of the State. He also stated the returns beginning to come

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in from the money circular.

On a letter from J. G. Whittier, Cor.
Sec. of the Am. E. Penn. Society.

German
Publications

Resolved - That the proposed
for a subscription to Mr. Stoll-
meyer's German paper, & the
proposal respecting Dr. Schumacher's
German pamphlet, be referred to
the Publishing Com: with power.

Whittier on
O'Connell

The publication of J. G. Whittier's
article on O'Connell, was referred
to the same Committee to report.

In reference to a letter of J. B.
Watson, Esq.

Reporter at
Washington

Resolved - That he be informed
that the Committee do not con-
template the employment
of a Reporter at Washington.

Premiums for
Essays

On a letter of Gen. Hays. of ^{Mass.} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~the~~
~~the~~, proposing the offer of
premiums for essays on the
Constitution of the U.S.

Resolved - That we cannot offer
such premiums unless the
funds are pledged for that purpose

"Slavery as it is"
Sangers in

A letter was read from Hon. W. L. Garrison, offering \$100, to furnish the
lawyers of the city of New York with
"Slavery as it is"

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Youth's Cabinet Distribution
A letter from N. Southard, asking payment for 10,000 copies of the Youth's Cabinet distributed on the 4th of July was referred to the Pub. Com. to adjust, with power -

Albany Convention
Resolved - That all the members of the Committee who can attend the Convention at Albany be considered as representing this Committee in the meeting.

Fin. Com.
The proposal for raising \$400,000 by subscriptions of \$500, was referred to the Management of the Finance Committee

J. Rankin's Resignation
A letter of John Rankin Esq. ~~resigning~~ resigning his office as Treasurer & member of the Executive Committee, on account of the feeble & uncertain state of his health - was laid on the table for the next meeting.

Trinidad
The Hon. William H. Burnley, Colonial Agent of the Island of Trinidad, was introduced to the Committee, & invited to communicate the plans of that colony with regard to emigrants. Mr. Burnley made a long, candid & full statement respecting the wants of the island, & the prospects

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In Cuba, and requesting the countenance of this Committee.

After a few conversations, L. Tappan moved to a resolution, that in the opinion of this Committee it is expedient to encourage our intelligent Colored Americans, to visit the island of Trinidad, & examine & report on the prospects & advantages offered to emigrants. This was laid on the table.

Resolved - That a Committee be appointed to confer & ~~report~~ with Mr. Burnley, & report to this Committee.

Messrs. Cornish, Leavitt & Freeman were named the Committee. On motion, the Chairman was added.

Ant. Treas.

Sept.

The Asst. Treasurer reported
 Receipts from July 1 to 15 \$386.62
 Cash paid agents salaries &c. 566.72
 Excess of payments 170.10

The Com. on Publications reported

Buxton on
 Slave Trade

The vote to reprint Buxton on the Slave Trade was rescinded, on information that the work is about to be reprinted by the Society at Philadelphia.

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Resolved - That the pamphlet on the
"Chattel Principle" be stereotyped, after
being revised by the author & criticism was
requested from E. Wright Jr., J.D. Wild, W.
Goodell, & Rev Dr. Weeks.

"Chattel Principle"

Address
Union Address

Resolved, to purchase the ^{remaining copies of the} Address of
the Union A.S. Society of this city, for
sale at the office

Smith to delay

Resolved - to stereotype & print Smith's
Letter to Henry Clay, & print 1000 copies.

Cuts from
Almanac 1840

Resolved - That the Pub. Agent print
1000 copies of the cuts for the Almanac
of 1840, on a sheet

Adj

Thursday, August 15, 1839

The Committee met at the Office
Present, A. Lapham, Birney, Stanton,
Leavitt, L. Lapham, Wright, Cornish

Opened with prayer
Minutes read & approved

The Treas. reported

Int. Treas.
Kept

Receipts July 15 to 31 \$294.23
Paid Agents & Exp. 389.05. Excess 84.82

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Receipts from Aug 1. to Aug 15.	1.075.24
Paid Agents, Salaries &c.	894.36
Excess of Receipts	180.88

The Agency Committee Reported.

✓ Resolved - That Rev. B. Preston be re-appointed for one year on the same terms as before

Rev. Preston Agt

J. Cross

Agt. Illinois

✓ Resolved - That Rev. John Cross be appointed agent for one year, to labor in Illinois, at a salary of eight hundred dollars, & travelling expenses, & that he be allowed \$150 for removing his family.

Rev. Way

Local Agt

✓ Resolved - That Palmer M. Way, of Auburn & Corners, Surg. Co. Pa. be appointed a Local Agent.

The Pub. Fin. & F. P. C. made no report.

Cleveland

Convention

✓ Mr. Stanton reported a letter from J. M. Sterling, of Cleveland, O. respecting a Convention at that place in September.

Resolved - That it is expedient to hold a ^{Special} meeting of the Society in October, 23^d, at Cleveland, 10 o'clock A.M.

Resolved - That the three secretaries be a Committee of Arrangements.

Scoble

✓ Resolved - That Lewis Jeffers ^{S. E. Cornish} & S. S. Joubert be a committee to call

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a meeting for Mr. Scoble of London, in this city.

Petitions

Resolved - That the Secretaries be authorized to prepare & circulate blank petitions to Congress.

The resignation of Mr. Rankin was taken up.

J. Rankin

Resignation

Resolved - That his resignation as a member of the Executive Committee ^{be accepted} & that he be respectfully requested to continue his services as Treasurer of the Society.

Resolved - That the Chairman be a Committee to present our wishes to Mr. Rankin.

T. D. Weld

Ex. Com

Resolved - That Theodore D. Weld be appointed a member of the Executive Committee in place of Mr. Rankin.

S. Webb's

Letter

A letter of Saml Webb on Political Organization was referred to Jewitt & L. Zappa, to report thereon.

Parly Papers

English

Resolved - That fifty Dollars be appropriated for the purchase of Parliamentary Papers in French, the Slave Trade & other English publications, for our library, under

~~Resolved - That the~~ direction of John Scoble:

Scoble's Expenses

Resolved - That Mr Scoble's expenses be paid by this Society while in this country.

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✓ Scoble's
Labors

Resolved - That Mr Scoble be respectfully requested by this Committee to continue his highly acceptable & useful labors in this Country as long as possible

✓ Pub. do.

Resolved - That a set of our publications be presented to Mr. Scoble

✓ Morris' Letter

Resolved - That Mr Stanton be requested to procure the publication of Morris' Letter to the Convention in the Daily Papers of the City.

"Slavery as it is"
opinions & doc.

Resolved - That the Sec. Currier address 50 to 100 copies of "Am. Slavery as it is," to intelligent & wealthy men, with a note requesting them to read it & to give their opinion respecting it, & to make a donation for the extension of its publication.

Pres. Green
\$50-

Resolved - That fifty dollars be presented to President Green for the preparation of the "Charter Principle".

✓ Whittier an

O'Connell. &c.

Resolved - That J. G. Whittier be requested to prepare his Eulogy on O'Connell for publication, with the remarks of the paper, the stanzas on "Our Countryman in Chains", & the case of Mary Fisher, & that it be published in a pamphlet

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Resolved - That Mr. Birney be requested to address a letter to Daniel O'Connell Esq. stating the wishes of the friends of Human Rights, ^{in this country} that he would address the Irishmen in the United States on the subject of Slavery.

Resolved - That Mr. Southard be allowed fifty dollars for his assistance in preparing the A.S. Almanac for 1840.

Resolved - That twenty five dollars be paid to the trustees of Mr. Wright's Church, for its use at the late Annual Meeting of the Society.

Resolved - That Mr. Wild be authorized to employ an agent for three months in each of the cities of New York, Philad. & Boston to procure the information he is in search of, respecting the connections of the North with Slavery.

Adjourn

Tuesday, Sept. 3. 1839

The Committee met - in anti-
cipation of the irregularity, in conse-
quence of the expected absence of Messrs
Stanton & Leavitt -

Present - A. Tappan, Stanton,
Sunderland, Leavitt, Gibbons, L. Tappan

Opened with prayer.
Minutes read & approved.

The Agency Committee reported,
Whereas -

Resolved - That the following persons
be appointed agents on the usual
terms, viz.

Samuel D. Cochran - one year

William Cochran " "

E. N. Bartlett " "

W. P. Russell " "

M. E. Strickby " "

Timothy B. Hudson, for three months

Also, Rev. S. W. Streeter, at a salary
of six hundred dollars, & trav. Exp.

The Com. on Pub. Fair, & F. P. C. made
no report.

The Committee on Mr. Burnley's
application respecting the Island of
Trinidad reported, & the report was
accepted as follows

"The Committee to show our

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referred the ~~report~~ proposal of the Hon. W. H. Burley, by leave to withdraw.

"That the Anti Slavery Society has a grand object in view, which is, to obtain for our fellow citizens of color the enjoyment of their equal rights & just privileges in this country :

"That the example of those arrangements who by their intelligence & worth have secured a measure of the public respect, is calculated to aid this object in a much greater degree than any thing which they could accomplish in a foreign country :

"That the removal of such, & the division of interest & effort which would follow, would be likely to dishearten & embarrass the elevation of those who remain :

"We therefore think it would be inexpedient to adopt any measure which could be construed into a recommendation of emigration to any class of the people of color. At the same time, we would by no means throw obstacles in the way of any who have intelligence, & are determined to try their fortunes abroad. We are also satisfied that the proposals of the Legislative Council of Trinidad are made in good faith, & that laborers going to that Island would be as well protected by law as is practicable in like circumstances.

We recommend the adoption

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of the following resolution -
 "Resolved - That while we should
 regret to see intelligent & industri-
 ous colored citizens leaving their
 country and their brethren in bonds;
 yet if any are determined to emi-
 grate to a tropical region, we are free
 to give our opinion, that with the
 exception of the dangers to their
 constitutions from the climate,
 the Island of Trinidad offers greater
 inducements to emigrants than
 any other foreign ~~in~~ country in
 our knowledge."

The Committee on the letter of Saml.
 S. Webb's Webb reported that, for several reasons,
 Letter. Com. it is not expedient for this Committee to
 take the extensive measures pro-
 posed for organizing the abolitionists
 politically. Adopted

The Committee on the ~~com~~ resig-
 nation of the Treasurer reported
 Resignation & was continued.

The Assistant Treasurer reported
 Asst. Treas. Receipts, Aug. 1 to 31 - \$1,298.79
 Paid agents, salaries, exp. &c. 1,837.84
 Receipts of payments 539.05.

Mr. Stanton reported a mass of
 correspondence discharged. He also
 proposed a short journey to recruit his
 Stanton
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health.

Resolved - That Mr. Stanton be at liberty to take as much time ^{as he needs} for recuperation, with a request that he will do what he can for the advancement of the cause.

Resolved - That Mr. Stanton be requested to attend the conventions at Utica, Maine & Cleveland.

On a letter from the Union A. S. Soc. of Philad, requesting an agent to labor in connection with that Soc.

Sgt for.
Phil.

Resolved - That the Soc. be informed that this Com. ~~to~~ will comply with the request as soon as a suitable agent can be obtained.

Whittier
O. Connell

Resolved - That Mr. Whittier be requested to denigrate the portions of O'Connell's speeches that he would have appended to his article, & that Mr. Leavitt superintend their publication in a pamphlet.

T. D. Wild
Ex. Com.

A letter was read from Theodore D. Wild, declining the appointment as a member of the Exec. Com.

African
Prisoners

Resolved - That William Sewell be sent to New Haven at our expense for the purpose of assisting the Council of the imprisoned Africans in conferring with them preparatory to the trial.

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Resolved - That a sub-committee be appointed to act in behalf of this Committee in employing counsel on behalf of those African, ^{Appropriation for Af. Prisoners} obtaining witnesses, & preparing the cause for trial, with authority to ~~for~~ make this Committee responsible to an amount not exceeding one thousand dollars.

Messrs. Meloyne, Leavitt & L. Tappan were appointed.

Fin. Com.
+
Pub. Com.

Mr. Leavitt was appointed on the Finance Com. & Mr. Gibbons on the Publication Com., in place of Mr. Rankin.

R. G. Williams
Resignation

R. G. Williams, asked to be relieved from his engagement as Book Agent, on account of his health. Voted - That his resignation be accepted, & that it be referred to the Publication Committee to determine what compensation he shall receive for his services.

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Writings of
Liggett

The Publishing Com. reported
Resolved - That J. G. Whittier be requested to make a selection of the Anti-Slavery writings of the late William Leggett, with a suitable preface for publication
Adopted

Wednesday. Sept. 25. 1839

The Committee met on request,
(the regular meeting having been o-
mitted in consequence of the absence
of so many members)

Present, A. Tappan, Stanton, San-
derson, Leavitt, L. Tappan, Joseph,
Gibbons.

Also, L. W. Benedict & R. G. Wilkins

Opened with prayer
Minutes read & approved

The ~~Financial~~ Treasurer reported
Cash received Sept 1 to 15 280.63
" paid 352.70
Exp of Paper to 72.07

Ant. Treas.
Rept.

The Agency Committee reported.
Whereon

Resolved - That Hiram Hopkins
of Oberlin, be appointed Agent for
the year, on the usual terms, of
salary & trav. Exp.

Resolved - That John M. Williams
of Oberlin, be appointed in the same way.
Agent

Resolved - That Edward C. C. of
Ohio, be reappointed Local Agent.

E. Weed
Local Agt.

The Publication Committee
reported - Whereon

Voted - To take 200 copies more
Newspapers of the German newspapers at

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Philad^a ^{for a year, or} till the subscriptions are taken up by State or other Societies

German

Address Nat. Con.

That 5000 copies of the Address of the Nat. Convention in German be procured for ~~published~~ circulation under direction of the Pub. Com.

Jay - Examiner

2,000 cots.

That Judge Jay's Address to the People of Color be published as an Examiner, 2,000 copies

Lund. Pub.

That 1000 copies of H. Friend Vol. 3. be published; also 1500 of Bible of Slavery & 1500 of "Does the Bible sanction Slavery?"

"Martyr Age"

That the "Martyr Age" be discontinued on the list of our publications.

Mr. Stanton reported his journey & observations, his correspondence journey, & with London respecting the General Convention, &c.

Mr. Stanton's bill of travelling Expenses, from May 28 to Sept. 16, was ordered to be paid - \$203.83

Subs. to Foreign Resolved - That the subscription Quarterly to the Foreign Quarterly be continued.

Stewart & Green

Resolved - That Aaron Stewart & Beriah Green be requested to at-

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tend the meeting at Cleveland,
 & that their travelling expenses be
 paid.

Storrs to
 Phil.

Resolved - That Mr. Storrs be ap-
 pointed to Philadelphia, to meet
 the request of the Union A. S. Soc.

Southard
 Expenses

A letter was received from N. Southard,
 detailing his journey to Westhamphire,
 Resolved - That he be paid twenty
 dollars towards his travelling expenses.

The Committee on Finance & Free People
 of Color made no report -

Smith & Gay
 London

A motion for the appointment
 of Gerrit Smith & William Gay to
 represent this Committee at the
 General Convention in London,
 was laid on the table

Com. on Treas.

The Committee on the Treasurer
 reported & was continued.

Com. of Capt.

The Committee on the African
 Captives, reported progress, & was
 continued.

Adj.

Thursday Oct 3, 1859

The Committee met. Present
A. Tappan, S. Tappan, Sunderland, Sear-
itt, Cornish, Jocelyn, & Gibbons.

Also, by invitation, A. F. Williams,
a member of the Executive Committee of
the Connecticut State Society

The Assistant Treasurer reported

Asst. Treas.

Rept.

Cash rec'd Sept 1 to 30 - 678.39

" - paid out - " - 1,805.12

Excess of payments 1,126.73

The Agency Committee reported, whereon
Resolved, That Samuel R. Ward, of
S. R. Ward Poughkeepsie, be appointed an agent for
Agent one year on the usual terms, his field
to be designated hereafter

Com. on Publications had no report

" " Finance, — " — " —

" — " Free Rev. of Color, — " — " —

A letter of J. M. Sterling was read
Resolved, That S. J. Andrews, David
Long, Woolsey Welles, M. Bond, Lyman
Com. Arrange's Crowl, G. Manchester, & J. M. Sterling,
Cleveland Com. of Cleveland, be requested to act as a
Committee of Arrangements to provide
for the place of meeting & other ac-
commodations for the special meeting
of the National Society at Cleveland.

C. W. Gardner Resolved, That Rev. Charles W. Gard-
Lewis Woodson, Jr., of Philadelphia, and Lewis Woodson,
for
Cleveland of Pittsburgh, be invited to attend the

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meeting of the Society at Cleveland, & that their expenses be paid, unless defrayed by the friends in the places where they live.

Letters were reported on behalf of the Cor. Sec. from C. Scott in Indiana, A. Buffum in Ohio, J. Keep, London, and J. M. McKim, Pennsylvania.

St. Society - A letter was read from H. Bowles and A. F. Williams, Committee on behalf of the Connecticut State Society, complaining of the Circular Letter of Mr. Stanton in relation to funds. Mr. Williams being present gave some further statements. The subject was also fully discussed & explained by Mr. W. & members of the Committee, and was then referred to the Committee of Finance to prepare & report a letter of explanation in reply to the letter of the Ct. Society.

Williams Bill Exp. A bill of R. G. Williams for expense in attending the National Convention to take charge of the sale of publications, was passed & ordered to be paid, \$20.34

The Committee on the Treasurer reported & was continued

Com. on the African Captives, reported & was continued

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✓ A Circular & inquiries from J. H. Fredgola, Secretary of the British & Foreign A.S. Society was referred to Mr. Weld to prepare an answer, and it was directed that others to whom similar inquiries are sent, be requested, if they think proper, to transmit their replies to be incorporated with that of Mr. Weld.

✓ Resolved, That a statement of the facts respecting the case of Mary Gilmore, be sent to Mr. O'Connell together with a set of our publications.

✓ Resolved, That the Committee on Publications be directed to inquire and report on the expediency of reducing the price of the Emancipator with a view of its more extensive circulation.

Adjourned—

Thursday, Oct. 17, 1859

Committee met. - Present A. Tappan, Wright, Leavitt, Sunderland, L. Tappan, Gibbons, Cornish

Also by invitation, R. Hough of Whitesboro', and J. P. Bishop

Opened with prayer

Minutes read & approved

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The Asst. Treasurer reported;—

Asst. Treas. Cash rec'd into the Treasury, Oct 1 to 15 -- 373.50
 Rept. " p'd agents salaries & Expenses, -- 292.40
 Rec'd more than paid -- \$ 81.10

Agency Com.
 Rept

The Agency Committee reported by reading their minutes, and their report was accepted

Res. respecting
 Emancipation

The Publishing Committee reported, when the resolution respecting the Emancipator was laid on the table for further consideration

Pub. to Miss to
 Jamaica

Resolved, That a full set of our publications be presented to Rev. C. S. Kershaw, about to go to Jamaica, and that from three to five dollars worth of our publications be presented to each of the other missionaries to that Island, and that they receive the Emancipator provided they will correspond with the Editor.

Steel Plates
 of
 P. Reason

Resolved, That the Publishing Agent purchase two steel plates of kneeling slaves, engraved by Patrick Reason.

Drawing of the

Resolved, That the expenses of Reason's drawing of the Dr. Buzzaard and the pure slave be paid

Purchase of
 Tracts

Resolved, To purchase the volumes of recent Anti Slavery Tracts, now in the hands of L. Tappan Tracts -- cost \$40 -- forty dolls.

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Resolved, That the revised copy of
Re-print Benah Green's "Chattel Principle" be stereo-
"Chattel Principle" typed and 1000 copies published, with the
author's name.

The resolution respecting the Hymn
Book was referred back to the Com-
Hymn Book mittee to make a definitive arrangement
for compensation to Mr. Hatfield.

Letter to Ct. The Finance Committee reported a reply
State Socy to the Connecticut State Society which was
adopted & ordered to be signed by the Pres-
ident & Recording Secretary.

Coms. on Treas. The special committee on the Treas-
Af. Captives & mission from the African Captives reported
progress

Mr. Seavitt reported on behalf of
the Com Socy

Meeting at Letter of Rev. F. Hawley requesting the
attendance of Mr. Birney or Mr. Stanton
at Wallingford at the meeting of the
Wallingford, Ct New Haven County Society Nov 13.

Resolved that we will endeavor to
provide some person to attend the meeting.

Two letters respecting correspondence at
Washington

Letter of Rev. J. Weston respecting mis-
sion to Jamaica

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Of P. Allen & L. P. Noble requesting
Mr. Stanton's aid in debate at Troy

Of W. L. Chaplin communicating
appointments for Mr. Stanton on his way
to Cleveland

Of L. Kingsbury asking information

Of Mr. Birney, two, respecting his health,
his labors at kinematics, & respecting
Jesse Bradburn

Of C. Allen & L. P. Noble respecting a
fugitive slave from Syracuse

Of Dr. Nelson, two letters

Resolved, That Dr. Nelson be employed for
one year, to visit the slave states and
collect facts & transmit them for pub-
lication, at a salary of six hundred dol-
lars, or if the state of the treasury will ad-
mit, at \$800 - for the time spent in
this service

A request was presented for the publi-
cation, in the Emancipator, of an adver-
tisement from the Vigilance Committee
David Ruggles respecting David Ruggles.

Resolved, That it be admitted as an
advertisement at the expense of the Vig-
ilance Committee

Letter refused Mr. Storr's letter respecting Henry Williams and
to Pub. Com. Champlain was referred to the Pub. Committee

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Resolved, That Mr. Stanton be requested
Stanton to make a verbal statement to the Cleve-
a statement at land meeting of the doings of the Com-
Cleveland mitter since the Annual Meeting

J. P. Bishop's Letter. Letter from J. P. Bishop respecting
his services. Postponed until Mr. Stanton's
return

Letter of Rev. Lewis Woodson accepting
Rev. Woodman's his appointment to go to Cleveland, but
Letter declining to accept of any thing for his
expenses from our treasury.

Rev. Jocelyn's letter Letter from Rev. S. S. Jocelyn respecting
referred to the Com. on Fin. Rec. of Colv. Mr. Lewis' machines

Referred to the Com. on Fin. Rec. of Colv.

Resolved, That Rev. James A. Thorne
Jos. A. Thorne be employed for three months, at a
assist Weldon salary of five hundred dollars per an-
num to assist in the labors devolved
upon Mr. Weld.

Resolved, That Mr. Storms be requested
Storms for do labor in Pennsylvania & Delaware as
Penn. & Del. his field

A letter was communicated from Wm.
M. Chase, inviting J. Seavitt to attend the meet-
Seavitt to ing of the R. I. State Society, Nov 13.
R. I. Resolved, That Mr. Seavitt be delegated
to attend the meeting

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At a Special meeting of the Ex. Com. Nov 6. 1839. present A Tappan. Birney, Sunderland, L. Tappan, Wright, Jocelyn, Gibbons. also, by invitation, ~~Prof~~ R. R. Madden^{MD}, British Commissioner from Havana.

Opened with prayer.

Gibbons was chosen Secretary pro. tem.

W Birney as Chairman of a Committee informally appointed Nov 2nd. to prepare a testimonial of the estimation in which this Com. regard the efforts of Lieut. Fitzgerald of H. B. M. Brigantine Buzzard, to suppress the slave trade, reported as follows; unanimously adopted.

"Res That the efficient measures of the British Parliament and people in repressing Slavery afford the cheering prospect that with the blessing of God, the abominable traffic in human beings will speedily be done away among civilized nations.

"Res That we hail with pleasure the results anticipated from the zealous services of Lieut. Fitzgerald of her Britannic Majesty's Brigantine Buzzard, in having brought into this port from the Western Coast of Africa, two slaves under American Colors; which, together with the further arrival of two other vessels, the Catharine of Baltimore & the Butterfly of New Orleans, engaged in the same vile traffic, we doubt not will greatly assist in opening the eyes of the

people of this country to the degradation of our flag, & leading to the adoption of measures to effectually stop its further prostitution.

Resolved, that as the advocates of the abolition of Slavery, we deem it our duty to express our grateful thanks to Lieut. Fitzgerald for the generous & important services he rendered in sending two of the crew of the Buzzard to attend at Hartford and New Haven, to act as interpreters in the case of the Africans sold as slaves at the Havana & carried into Connecticut.

Resolved, that as the strenuous opposers of the continuance of Slavery, we deem it our duty to express to Lieut. Fitzgerald, the high sense in which we hold his valued services, - together with those of Lieut. Holland, in having sent into this Port four vessels engaged in the Slave trade under our flag, as tending to open the eyes of our citizens and lead the proper authorities to effective co-operation with England in repressing that horrible traffic, which is now chiefly, if not solely carried on under our flag, since the right of capture has been agreed on as to Portuguese & Spanish vessels under the Equipment Clause.

Resolved, that we are not unaware of the great delay to which Lieut. Fitzgerald has been subjected in his communication with the public authorities of this Country, - nor of the prejudice to his private interests - nor of the expensiveness of a three months detention in this City; - nor are we ignorant of the proceedings set on foot to harass and increase expense, by obscure individuals; - Measures,

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calculated to deter the gentlemen of the British Navy from resorting to the United States for countenance & aid in their attempts to suppress a traffic dishonorable to any people making any pretension to humanity, much less Christianity, while we are convulsed with the conviction that her Majesty will not suffer such valuable services to go unrequited.

Resolved, That we shall ever cherish a sincere respect & regard for the welfare and prosperity of ~~Captain~~ Fitzgerald; and earnestly hope that our brethren in the holy cause in England will take such steps to represent his gallant & honorable services to her Majesty's government as their importance demands.

Resolved that the Corresponding Secretary be requested to convey to Lieut Fitzgerald, a copy of the foregoing resolutions.

Resolved, That a copy of them be also sent to the British & Foreign Anti Slavery Society.

On motion of Mr Birney, the following resolutions were adopted.

Resolved, That the Corresponding Secretary communicate to His Excellency, Sir Lionel Smith, late Governor of Jamaica, now in this city, the grateful sense which they, in common with the enemies of Slavery & oppression every where in the United States, cherish for his just, impartial & vigorous administration of the Laws passed for the emancipation of the Slaves in that Island, & for their protection afterwards.

Resolved, That we highly appreciate the generous & philanthropic efforts of Sir

Res. to honor
Sir L. Smith

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Lionel Smith to secure & extend to the Colored people of Jamaica, their political rights, and to promote their social & religious improvement.

Pub. to Madden
Fitzgerald & Sir
L. Smith
On motion of L. Tappan. Resolved that the Secretaries be authorized to furnish L. Madden. Lieut. Fitzgerald & Sir Lionel Smith, with such publications from the office as they may deem proper.

Cor. respecting
Mr. Ward
Resolved. That the Secretaries correspond with the State^{W. Y.} Executive Committee, relative to the employment of Mr Ward, as an agent in the Western part of this state, and that he be commissioned to labor there, if acceded to.

Birney's Report
The Corresponding Secretary. L. E. Birney made a verbal report of his visit to Cleveland, — stated, that the Agents recently appointed by this Committee have cheerfully consented to enter the service of the State Society.

Mr. W. Ohio
State Soc.
Resolved, that the Sec^y communicate to the Ohio State Society, the acquiescence of this Committee in the arrangement.

Hall's Bill
Voted. That the Bill of E. O. Hall's travelling expenses be paid; — that it is inexpedient, in view of the present state of our Treasury, to appoint M^r Wilder of Indiana, an agent; — that it is likewise inexpedient to appoint Messrs Adams & Chapman.

Wilder not ap.
printed
Adams
Chapman

Letters were read, from Joseph Sturge

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+ Mr Craddock.

Adjourned.

Wibboms. Secy. pro tem.

Stated meeting of the Committee. Thursday
Nov. 7th present. A. Tappan, Birney, Sim-
mond, L. Tappan, Cornish, Wright, Jocelyn,
+ Gibbons, also, by invitation, Mr Ward.
Opened with prayer.

Gibbons chosen Secy. pro tem.

The Assistant Treasurer Reported as follows:
Cash rec^d from Oct 1 to 31 inclusive 12447.57
do paid Agents Salaries + Exp^s same period 1082.32
Excess of Receipts - 165.25

The Committee, consisting of L. Tappan, +
W. Birney, appointed at an informal meeting Nov
2, to procure a meeting for Dr. Madden, having no
report, are continued.

Birney's Salary The following propositions were submitted by W.
Birney, and acceded to by the Committee:

That his Salary from the 15 Aug. to the
15 Oct. be remitted to the Society - and that his
Salary be diminished \$250. per annum from the
1st of October.

Voted That W. Birney's Bill for travelling
expenses ^{to Cleveland, Ohio.} (\$50.) be paid.

Comp^t against Preston. A letter was read from Wm H. Burleigh, Cor.
Secy of Western Penn. Anti S. Society, stating that

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Preston

Mr Preston, one of our Ohio Agents had been collecting pledges made to that Society, and requesting that the amount thereof be placed to their credit. A letter from Dr Bailey in relation to the same subject, was read. On motion, Resolved, That the Cor. Sec. be requested to write forthwith to Mr Preston, and ask for an explanation of the matter.

Res. on Agency

The Agency Com. reported the following preamble & Resolution:

"Whereas, the unexampled embarrassment of the finances & the business of the country has greatly diminished the pecuniary resources of the Am. Antislavery Society, and it has become absolutely necessary that all expenses of whatever kind should be as much as possible reduced, therefore,

Agents to be
informed of State
of the Treasury

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Executive Committee, to authorize the Cor. Sec. to write forthwith to our lecturing Agents who are on salaries, informing them that such is the present condition of our Treasury, & such it is likely to remain for some time to come, that it will be impossible for the Executive Com. while excluded from collecting funds in the States, to the extent which they now are, to pay them either their Salaries or their travelling expenses, and to state to them, that unless they can collect both from the communities in which they labor, they see no alternative, but that their terms of service be considered as ceasing with the reception of the letter of the Secretary.

to collect Salaries

or resign

Report accepted.

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Storr's Res.

Debts

Stanton

Fin. Com.

Brishok
Coffin
Lewis
Southard

London Comtee

Cornish's
Res.

Laid on table

L. Joffe's

Res. laid

on the table

that arrangements can be made for defraying their expenses without

The Agency Committee reported the resignation of Geo. Storr, as agent for the Society. - accepted.

Res^d That the Assistant Treasurer be directed to collect the outstanding debts of the Society as soon as possible.

Res^d That H. B. Stanton be written to, and requested to return immediately, and devote himself to collecting funds to meet the present exigencies of the Society.

Res^d That the Finance Com. be directed to make an Appeal to the Community for support in this emergency.

Res^d That the Finance Com. be requested to confer with J. D. Weld & the Secretaries, with reference to discontinuing from service, H. B. Bishop, L. Coffin, A. Lewis, N. Southard & J. A. Thome.

Res^d That Gerrit Smith, Wm. Say, & S. W. Birney be appointed delegates to the National Anti Slavery Congress to meet in London, in June next.

The following resolutions, offered by S. E. Cornish, were laid on the table till next meeting. Resolved, that while this Committee feel a deep interest in the subject of "Political Action" which agitates many of our Auxiliaries, & has enlisted ^{still} more of our members, yet we, as an Executive body have taken no measures, nor will we commit ourselves, or the Am. Society over whose interests we preside, in any way, whatever, on the subject of Politics. (Laid on the table till next meeting.)

The following resolution, offered by L. Joffe, was laid on the table till next meeting. Resolved, that this Committee do not approve, the advocacy by the Ed. of the Emancipator, of a distinct political party, in that paper.

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A letter was read from James C Fuller, proposing that a number of small tracts, suitable for distribution on Steam-boats &c. be published. & containing \$50. to be appropriated in that way. Res^d That the publishing Com. be authorized to ~~execute the proposition~~ publish tracts to the amount of said sum.

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State meeting Nov. 21.

Committee met, at No. 143 Nassau Street.

Present:

Messrs. A. Tappan, S. E. Cornish,
J. G. Birney, T. S. Wright, La Roy Sunderland,
H. S. Jocelyn, L. Tappan, Jas. E. Gibbons, W.
B. Stanton

Also - S. W. Benedict & David Ruggles.

W. B. Stanton appointed Sec. *loc. pro tem.*

Opened with prayer.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved, after an amendment.

The Assistant Treasurer reported as follows:

Received into the Treasury of the American
Anti Slavery Society from Nov. 1. to 15. inclusive \$437.00

Cash paid Agents Salaries & Expenses same	}	259.13
period - - - - -		
Received more than paid.		\$ 177.87

Agency Com. made no report.

Com. on publications reported by reading their minutes: when the following was adopted:

Resolved: That ~~Dr.~~ Duncan's pamphlet be published in Book form, on condition that Mr. Benedict publish it at his own risk & take pay from sales - this Committee to be consulted with regard to the price.

Com. on Finance reported by reading their minutes: when the following was adopted:

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Whereas, at the last Annual meeting of the American Anti Slavery Society, restrictions were imposed relative to the collection of funds in the States where State Societies exist, of such nature as to render the action of this Committee in a great measure ineffectual, (therefore):

Resolved, That the Executive Committee represent to the Committees of the State Societies severally, that if they do not repeal or modify said restrictions, or make some other arrangement by which our present necessities may be immediately relieved, there is no alternative before us but that of bankruptcy.

Committee on Free People of Colo., made no report.

The Secretaries reported:--

A letter from David Ruggles, requesting that his reply to the article of certain members of the Vigilance Committee, inserted in the Emancipator of Oct. 24., be published in that paper free of expense, was read:-- and the following adopted:

Mr. Ruggles having declined paying for the insertion of his article in reply to the New York Committee of Vigilance, published in the Emancipator of Oct. 24., therefore,

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to admit anything further into the Emancipator on the subject.

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A letter to the Cor. Sec. from Sir Lionel Smith, late Governor of Jamaica, was read:
Resolved that the letter, together with the resolutions passed Nov. 6, be published in the Emancipator.

A letter was read from Capt. Fitzgerald, Com^d or Mr B. M. P. Buzzard, in reply to the resolutions passed by this Com. Nov. 1.

Agents in Michigan put over to State Society
A letter from our three agents in Michigan, Messrs. Cochran, Hopkins & Williams, stating that they had engaged for one month in the service of the Michigan State A. S. Society, was read:
Resolved, that we acquiesce in the arrangements they have made with the State Society, & consider them no longer the Agents of this Society.

A letter was read from Arnold Buffum, detailing his operations in Ohio.

Inexpedient for H. B. Stanton & J. G. Birney to lecture in Boston
A letter was read from A. A. Phelps, Boston, & William Parker & Ball inviting Messrs. Birney & Stanton to deliver addresses at a meeting of the Boston Female A. S. Society, in Dec. in Boston.
Resolved, that it is inexpedient for the Secretaries to attend.

Mr. L. Jaffon read a letter from Mr. Wild requesting that a compensation might be allowed to Rev. Moses Russell to collect & copy off certain facts relating to Haverly -
Resolved, that compensation be allowed to the amount of \$20. —

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Resolved, That Mr. Stanton be requested to take immediate measures to raise funds to sustain the operations of this Society.

Resolved That the Publishing Agent write to Mr. Stollmeyer, publisher of the German newspaper, & inform him that on account of our embarrassments, the Committee will be unable to continue their subscription any longer to his paper.

On motion of Rev. J. E. Cornish,

Resolved, That the \$3. per week envelope allowed to Mr. Cornish for writing in the Colored American, be discontinued from & after the 1st of November.

Nominations to the Congress of Nations in London next summer, were made as follows:

Rev. Samuel E. Cornish, by L. Tappan

James Forten, Senr. by Jas. F. Gibbons

Rev. Theodore S. Wright, by S. E. Cornish

Resolved That these nominations be laid over till the next meeting.

Resolved That Mr. Peirce be a Committee to confer with H. D. Davis, Esq. in regard to the employment of additional counsel in the suit of Nash vs. Kendrick.

The resolutions on Political Action, introduced by Mr. Cornish at the last meeting, were laid over till the next meeting.

Adjourned. H. B. Stanton Sec. p. t.

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Thursday, Dec. 5, 1839 -

The Stated Meeting was held as usual
Present, H. Tappan, Dunbar, Wight,
Birney, Cornish, Sunderland, L. Tappan,
Leavitt, Gibbons, Johnson,

Opened with prayer.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

The reports of the Treasurer & the Pub-
lishing Committee were omitted, in
consequence of the closing of the Pub. Office
at an earlier period than usual.

The Agency Com. reported, & their report
was accepted. Whereon,

Resolved - That the services of Mr. Cox
as Book Agent in N. Jersey, be discontinued

The Finance Com. reported. Whereon -

The Resolution recommending
the appointment of Howard Stewart
as Treasurer and Member of this Com-
mittee, was laid on the table for con-
sideration.

Resolved - That we will invite
donations of goods, produce, & articles
of use, the avails of which may be
appropriated to the exigencies of this
Society.

The Com. on F. P. C. made no re-
port, but expect to report at next meeting.

The Cor. Sec. reported -

A letter from Hon. W. Jay, was read.

Resolved - That so much of his letter as relates to the improvement of the F. P. C., was referred to the Committee on that subject.

Resolved - That we present Mr. Jay thirty copies of the last edition of the View, for distribution.

A letter was read from Mr. J. Cress, of Chicago, giving an account of his losses & trials.

A letter from J. S. Carles, inviting Mr. Birney to attend the meeting of the State Society at Hartford.

A sketch of the Report of the Publication Committee was presented.

Resolved - That the Handbill tract, "What has the North" 4 pp. be stereotyped Also, "The Slave Holder's Prayer".

Also, that Duncan's Pamphlet be published, in the style of Jay's Inquiry.

Resolved - That the Pub. Agent be directed not to exchange ^{for} ~~with~~ the Philad. edition of ~~the~~ ^{the} Boston, but to hasten the publication of the complete Edition.

The resolutions offered by S. C. Cornish & L. Tappan, Nov. 7, were taken up and discussed at some length, when

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Resolved - That the meeting be adjourned to Wednesday next, to discuss the matter, with the nominations for London.

L. Tappan offered a resolution, which was laid on the table for next meeting, for the call of a Special Meeting of the Society, on the subject of funds.

On motion of J. G. Birney, it was Resolved - That the several State Societies be requested to forward petitions to Congress, praying that the Local Authorities of the District of Columbia may be ^{restrained by law} ~~prevented~~ from ^{as slaves} ~~imprisoning~~ ^{in the absence of} ~~persons~~ ^{of color} claiming to be free, ~~until~~ ^{before a judicial tribunal} satisfactory evidence that they are slaves; & also praying that the laws for the suppression of the ^{foreign} Slave Trade may be so amended as to ~~en-~~ ^{prevent} ~~any~~ vessels equipped for the Slave Trade and all persons found on board of such vessels or concerned in any way in equipping them.

Adjourned -

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Wednesday, December 11th.

[Special Meeting by Adjourn.]

The Committee met, pursuant to adjournment.

Present, A. Lapham, Cornish, James G. Birney, J. S. Gibbons, L. Lapham, J. Leavitt, J. S. Joubert, J. S. Wright

Also Am. William Jay, by invitation
Opened with prayer.

The resolution offered, Nov. 7, by S. E. Cornish, was taken up, and after amendment by the mover, substituting the words "forming a distinct Anti Slavery Political Party", for the word "politics". And also further amended by striking out the word between "measures" and "in", the question was taken, and the resolution was lost.

The resolution offered at the same time, ^{by L. Lapham} was then taken up, and amended was to read -

"That this Committee do not approve of the formation of a distinct Anti Slavery Political Party, and recommend that the formation of such a party should not be advocated in the Emancipator by its editor."

After a protracted discussion, it was referred to the next meeting.

The question of calling a special meeting of the Society was then ^{taken up} ~~referred to the next meeting~~ and after discussion it was

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Resolved, That a Special Meeting of the American Anti Slavery Society be held in the City of New York, on Wednesday, the 15th day of January next, to provide means for carrying on the operations of the Society.

A vote was passed at the beginning of the meeting, that Judge Fay be invited to attend the meetings of this Committee during his residence in the City, as heretofore.

Resolved - That J. Leavitt, J. S. Gibbons and S. E. Cornish be a committee of arrangement for the Special Meeting.

Adjourned.

Thursday, Dec. 19. 1839

The Committee held a stated Meeting.

Present - A. Lopham, Stanton, Sunderland, Gibbons, Leavitt, Jocelyn, L. Lopham, J. S. Wright.

Opened with prayer.

Minutes of two last meetings, read & approved.

The Treasury report was not present.

The Agency Committee reported their minutes.

The Publishing Committee reported their minutes. Whereupon

Resolved - That the 4 page tract, entitled "Pro-Slavery" be stereotyped and published.

The Finance Committee reported their minutes.

The Com. on the Publication of Com. made no report for the want of a quorum.

Mr. Cor. Sec. reported
Letters and Petitions sent to all the State Societies, agreeable to order.

Mr. Binney has gone to Hartford and Boston, to attend meetings, and lecture.

Answers received to our application in regard to funds for the two State Societies in Mass. one in N. J., one in N. Y. & one in Pa. were passed to the individual members to read.

Mr. Stanton's bill of Trav. Exp. to Maine, Cleveland, Pittsburgh & Paterson was ordered to be paid \$176.39

Letters were presented from Dr. Nelson,

E. W. Clarke, G. Smith, J. J. Norton,

The resolution laid over from last meeting, on Political action, was taken up, and on motion of L. Tappan, the question was ~~divided~~ directed to be taken on the last clause first.

On motion of J. S. Gibbons, the following was received as a substitute for the resolution before the Committee and carried, viz.

That the Editor of the Emancipator ^{be requested} to state in the next No. of that paper, that in his advocacy of a distinct political party, he has acted ~~without the~~ ^{authority} of this Committee, ^{they having expressed no opinion on the subject} and that he has expressed and intends to express his own opinions merely.

The following resolution, offered by J. Leavitt, was postponed till the next meeting -

"Resolved - That we do not deem it advisable for this Committee, or for the American Anti Slavery Society, to take any measures for the nomination of Anti Slavery candidates for offices in the gift of the people, but leave it to the people to take such measures as they think advisable to give the question of slavery its rightful prominence as a political question."

The nominations ~~of~~ for London were taken up, and partially considered.

Adjourned

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Thursday, January 2, 1840

The stated Meeting was held
Present - A. Lippman, Birney,
Gibbons, Sunderland, Stanton, Leav-
itt, L. Lippman, Jocelyn.

Opened with prayer.
Minutes of last meeting read & app.

The Asst. Treasurer reported -

Received for Dec. 1 to 31, 1829 \$1.542.89.
P. Agents Salaries & Expenses 651.58
Excess of receipts 891.31

The Com. on Agency reported their
minutes.

The Com. on Finance reported their
minutes.

The Com. on Free People of Color re-
ported made no report.

The Com. on Publications reported
their minutes. Wherein

Resolved - That John Scoble's
address, delivered in London, Nov. 6,
on West India Emancipation, be
published in the Emancipator,
and then two thousand copies printed
in a 12mo tract.

The Secretaries reported

Letters from the State Societies in
Maine, Vermont, & Ohio, in reply
to our appeal for funds.

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A letter from the Hon. Thomas B. King, M. C. from Georgia, requesting information and a copy of our last report.

A letter from Mr M. Murdie, of York, Pa., expressing a desire to help the cause.

A letter from the Board of the Massachusetts Anti Slavery Society, urging the postponement of the Special Meeting, ^{of the American Anti Slavery Society} either indefinitely or to a later period.

Resolved - That the Committee see no reason to alter their views as to the necessity of a Special Meeting at the time proposed.

Resolved - That the subject of sending agents to Ohio agreeably to the proposal of that Ex. Com. be postponed until after the Special Meeting.

The nominations for the London Convention were taken up, and laid on the table, with reference to the approaching meetings of the Society.

The resolution offered at the last meeting by J. Leavitt was taken up and agreed to.

Mr. Birney's Bill of travelling expenses to Hartford & Boston considered & paid \$25.

On motion of H. B. Stanton

Resolved - That the Finance Com -

matter be directed to prepare a statement of our affairs, for the Special Meeting, to be submitted at a Special meeting of this Committee - That the basis of the statement be the suggestions submitted by J. Leavitt.

Voted that we hold an extra meeting tomorrow week, to hear the report of the Finance Committee

Adjourned

[Special]
Friday - January 10, 1849

A special meeting was held, pursuant to adjournment, to receive the report of the Finance Committee

Present, A. Tappan, Birney, Stanton, Leavitt, Wright, Cornish, Joulz, Gibbons, Also, Rev. C. W. Denison, by invitation
Opened with prayer.

The Finance Committee reported a draft of a statement of our affairs, to be laid before the Society at its approaching Special Meeting.

The report was fully discussed, and referred to a Special Committee, consisting of Messrs. Birney, Leavitt & Stanton, to report at an adjourned meeting on Monday next.

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Mr. Birney's bill for traveling expenses
to Philadelphia was ordered to be paid.

VI The Western ^{Pennsylvania} Anti Slavery Society was
recognized as auxiliary.

Resolved - That the Committee of
Arrangements be directed to make
preparations for a Public Meeting
on Wednesday evening with a special
view to a presentation of the preliminary
services of the Society.

Adjourned

[Special]

Monday, January 13, 1840

A Special Meeting was held, pursuant
to adjournment, to consider the report of
the Special Committee on the statement
preparing for the Society.

Present - A. Tappan, Birney, Stanton,
Leavitt, Gibbons, Joelzer, Wright.

Opened with prayer.

The Committee appointed to prepare
a statement reported, ^{this report was} and considered
by paragraphs, and referred back to the same
Committee to make it conformable to the sug-
gestions of the members, & report tomorrow evening.

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[Special]

Tuesday, January 14. 1840

The Committee met pursuant to adjournment. —

Present, A. Tappan, Stanton, Birney, Leavitt, Gibbons, & L. Tappan whose absence from the two last meetings was owing to ^{his having been} attending court in behalf of the Captured Africans.

Opened with Prayer.

Rev. David Root, formerly our agent, being present, was invited to sit with us

The Committee on the Statement reported the revised Statement, which was unanimously adopted, and ordered to be laid before the Society tomorrow.

Adjourned.

[Special]

Thursday Jan. 23^d. 1840

A special meeting was held, to take into consideration the doings of the Society, at its late Special Meeting.

Present, L. Tappan, Stanton, Birney, Leavitt, Cornish, Gibbons, Wm. H. Williams, Jay

The Chairman being absent, Lewis Tappan was called to the Chair.

Opened with prayer

On motion of J. Leavitt

Resolved — That the members be called on, individually, to express their views respecting the results of the last meeting, the prospects of the cause, & what is next to be done by the Committee.

After a full expression of the views of those present —

Resolved — That the Secretaries address a letter to the Executive Committees of the State Societies, asking them if they will raise the amount of funds allotted to them by the Special Meeting, and if so, by what time this Committee may expect to receive the same.

Resolved — That two additional delegates be chosen to the London Convention in June.

H. B. Stanton and Eliza Wright Jr. were chosen.

On motion, the vote respecting the London Delegation was reconsidered.

Adjourned

February 6, 1840

The Committee met.

Present, A. Tappan, Sunderland,
Biney, Stanton, Leavitt, Jolyon.
Wight, Cornish, J. S. Gibbons.

Opened with prayer

Minutes of the last regular meeting
and of four special meetings were
read and approved.

Leeward Gibbs, Esq., of N.Y., being present,
was invited to ~~partake~~ sit with us.

The Asst. Treasurer reported.

Per to Jan. 1 to 31 - \$1,277.05

Paid Agents, Expenses, &c. 1,386.84

Excess of payments \$109.79.

The Agency Committee reported
by reading their minutes.

The Com. on Publication reported,
Whereon

Resolved - That the Publishing agent
be authorized to employ an agent
for three months, to collect the arrears
and obtain new subscribers for the E-
mancipator, on the best terms he
can, provided the expense of the a-
gency does not exceed the amount
received for new subscribers, and that
no new subscription be received under
price.

On an offer from Mr. Morse to let the

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premises now occupied by the Society for the next year at \$1000, being a reduction of \$265 from the present rent.

Resolved - That it is not expedient to continue our occupancy of our present rooms.

The Committee on Free People of Color reported some suggestions respecting a plan for the employment of a fund for the benefit of the free people of color.

The report was referred back to the Committee, to present the plan more specifically & in detail.

The Finance Committee made no report.

The Cor. Sec. reported a letter from Baltimore, soliciting advice and assistance in promoting the cause in that city.

Resolved - That the Secretaries ascertain what sort of a person the writer is, and that they be authorized, at discretion, to furnish him with such pamphlets as may be advantageously circulated in that city.

A letter from H. Withered, Rec. Sec. of the Eastern Penn. A. S. Society, communicating the vote of that Ex. Com. accepting the offer of \$1000 set to that Society, & inviting us to

send agents to collect it.

✓ A letter from J. H. Fredgott was read, requesting duplicates of all the Anti Slavery Publications for the Library of the British & Foreign Anti Slavery Society; the amount to be drawn for.

Resolved - That the books be sent as a donation from this Committee to that Society.

A letter from the Western Co. Amer. A. S. Society, disapproving the formation of a third political party.

A letter from the New Haven Co. A. S. Society, inviting Mr. Stanton to attend the meeting of that Society at Meriden.

The appointment of delegates for the London Conference was again taken up.

Resolved - That a special delegation be appointed by this Committee to represent ~~the~~ American Anti-Slavery Society in the Convention to be held in London in June next, and that, if it be necessary, the expenses of the delegation be paid by the Society.

Resolved - That we now vote by ballot for three persons to constitute this delegation.

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James G. Birney & H. B. Stanton
were chosen at the first ballot, and
S. E. Cornish at the third ballot.

Resolved - That a Committee be ap-
pointed to make a special effort for
the purpose of obtaining funds for
this purpose. Leavitt, Joubert and
Gibbons were appointed the Committee.

Mr. Birney's Bill of Travelling Ex-
penses attending the State A. S. Society
of N. Jersey, at Trenton, was ordered to
be paid - \$6.00

Resolved - That Judge Fay be re-
quested to prepare a View of the Gag
Rule lately established by the U. S.
House of Representatives, with an
Appeal to the People of the United
States in view of this outrage, to be
published as the Act of this Committee.

Resolved - That the Recording Secretary
be authorized to call a special meet-
ing of the Committee to consider said
writing as soon as it is prepared.

Resolved - That a Committee
of three be appointed to make
arrangements for the Annual
Meeting of the Society.

Levi's Tappan, ~~J. S. Joubert~~ and
H. B. Stanton and S. E. Cornish were
appointed.

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H. B. Stanton of Leovitt was
appointed a committee to act with
Judge Fay in the distribution
of 50 copies of the "View" among
members of Congress.

The following resolution, offered by
J. S. Gilman, was laid on the table:

"Whereas, the Harmony of the Anti-Slavery
organization has been seriously affected, ~~by~~
in part, by a belief that the influence
of this Committee has decidedly tended
to the formation of a third political party:

Resolved - That we do not deem it within
the scope of the duties of this Com-
mittee to entertain the project of
forming a distinct abolition po-
litical party.

Adj^d

[Special]

Thursday, Feb. 13. 1840

~~The~~ special meeting was called
by the Recording Secretary, pursuant
to the vote of the 6th, to receive
Judge Fay's report on the Gay.

Present - S. S. Jorjens, D. Dumbur,
J. G. Birney, L. R. Sunderland,
H. B. Stanton, Leovitt, J. S.

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Gibbons & L. Tappan.
Also, Am. William Jay.

The chairman being absent, S.
P. Jochum was appointed chairman
for even.

Opened with prayer.

Judge Jay then presented and
read an Address to the Friends of
Constitutional Liberty.

The members were then called
on for their remarks. Whereon -

Resolved - That Judge Jay be respect-
fully requested to revise the draft, after
the suggestions made, and that it
be signed by all the Members of the
Committee, and published.

Resolved - That it be printed in
the Emancipator, and that 2000
copies be printed as an Examiner,
and 500 copies be printed without the
Examiner title, and distributed,
under direction of the Pub. Com.

Resolved - That Judge Jay receive
as many copies as he may wish to
have for distribution.

Lewis Tappan having declined acting
on the Committee of Arrangements,
he was excused and J. S. Gibbons
appointed in his place.

Adj^d

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Thursday Feb. 20. 1840

Feb. 20

The regular meeting was held.
Present Birney, Stanton, Sunderland, Leavitt, Jocelyn, L. Tappan, Gibbons.

The Chairman being absent, J. G. Birney was called to the chair.
Opened with prayer

The minutes of the last regular + special meetings were read and approved.

The Assistant Treasurer reported
Receipts from Feb. 1 to 15, 1840, \$219.06
Paid Agents, Salaries + Expenses 166.04
Balance 53.02

The Committee of Arrangements reported progress.

Resolved - That the Annual Meeting for the transaction of business be held on Wednesday, the 6th of May.

The Select Committee on Distribution of *Jays View* reported that the 50 copies are in circulation + read with interest in Congress + that there is a prospect of a demand for more.

Resolved That 50 copies more be at the disposal of the same Committee, with 50 copies of *Duncan on Slavery* for the Members of Congress.

The Standing Committee made no report.

The Corresponding Secretaries reported -

Letter from the Vermont State Society, accepting the apportionment made by the Special Meeting, and promising to advance as large a portion of it as possible before the first of May, and to give a note for the balance.

Letter from the Connecticut Society, promising to pay over to us all that is not needed for their own operations, but expressing the apprehension that no considerable surplus can be expected without more aid, and the hope that the amount, \$10000, can be raised if Mr. Stanton will spend two months in the State.

The Massachusetts Anti Slavery Society entirely decline doing any thing for our treasury.

The Massachusetts Abolition Society have issued an appeal to its agents and the friends of the slave to raise the money to meet the wants of this Society.

Resolved - That Samuel Webb & Daniel Neal ^{sen} be appointed a Finance Committee to assist in raising the \$10000 apportioned to the E. Pennsylvania

Resolved - That the Secretaries be authorized to labor for raising funds at their discretion, on the invitation of ~~the~~ State Societies, in Massachusetts, Connecticut and Pennsylvania.

Resolved - That the Secretaries reply to the allegations of the Massachusetts Anti Slavery Society, & that the reply be submitted at our adjourned meeting on Monday evening.

Resolved - That a Committee of three be appointed to consider and report whether any and what amendments in the ~~next~~ ^{might be proposed} Constitution of this Society at its next annual meeting.

L. Tappan, J. G. Birney & J. Leavitt

Resolved - That Piercy & Reed, the printers of the Emancipator, be paid in cash from time to time, as soon as any printer who works for the Society

Resolved - That the Publishing Agent be authorized to settle with any creditor of the Society in books at the prices to Depositories

Resolved - That the Emancipator

be printed hereafter on paper of the size of 24 x 36 inches, and that ~~both~~ the outside pages be in Long Primer.

Resolved - That the editor of the Emancipator be requested to abstain from urging, in his editorial labors, ~~from urging~~ the formation of a distinct Anti Slavery political party.

Resolved - That it is advisable to reduce the number of exchange papers one half at the editor's discretion.

The following resolutions, offered by J. Leavitt, were laid on the table until the next meeting.

"Resolved - That the Committee consider the support & continuance of the Emancipator, as the organ of the American Anti Slavery Society, to be the first object to be provided for in the application of our resources.

"Resolved - That a meeting of the friends of the cause in this city be called by Special personal invitation, to consider the present situation of our affairs, with a view to a provision for the support of the Emancipator."

Adj'd

[Special]

Monday Feb. 24th, 1840

Pursuant to adjournment, the Committee met to receive the report of the select committee in reply to the Board of the Massachusetts A. S. Society.

Present - A. Tappan, Stanton, Wright, Sunderland, Gibbons, Leavitt, L. Tappan, Jocelyn.

Also, by invitation, J. G. Whittier, H. W. Deming.
Opened with prayer.

The Committee on the reply reported a draft of an address, which was read, & commented on by the members. On motion, it was then referred back to the same committee.

H. B. Stanton ~~declines~~ was excused, on his own request, from the Committee, & J. J. Jocelyn appointed in his place.

Resolved - That the document, when completed and approved by the committee be published in the Emancipator.

Resolved - That the Chairman be a Committee to confer with the Publishing Agent with reference to his salary, & to report at the next meeting.

Adj.

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Thursday, March 5, 1840

The regular meeting was held.

Present, A. Lapham, Wright, L. Lapham, Stanton, Sunderland, Leavitt, Cornish, Joubert, Gibbons.

Opened with prayer.

Minutes of last regular & special meetings read & approved.

The Committee on Agency, Publication & Finance made no report.

The Committee on Free People's Labor presented an elaborate ^{supplementary} & full report on the subject of promoting the arts & industry among the People of Color, with reference to the proposition made through Judge Fay for the appropriation of \$3000 for that object.

The report was accepted.

Resolved - That the Report be referred to a special Committee with instructions to prepare a plan in detail conformable with the suggestions contained in the Report, & present it at the next meeting of this Committee. Gibbons, L. Lapham & Leavitt, the Committee.

The Cor. Sec. reported

Letter from Samuel Webb, promising to do what he can under his appointment in regard to funds.

Letter from A. St. Clair, inviting H. B. Stanton to labor in Massachusetts for funds.

Letter of W. Goodell, on behalf the N.Y. State A.S. Soc., saying that the Ex. Com. deeply sympathize in the wants and embarrassments of this Committee, & regret that they see no prospect of being able to comply with the resolution of the Am. A.S. Society at its late Special Meeting.

Letter of J. Coddins, encouraging the hope that the sum set to the Maine A.S. Society will raise the sum set to them by the Special Meeting.

The Committee of Arrangement reported progress.

The vote changing the time of the Annual Meeting for business was reconsidered.

The Committee on the Constitution & the Committee on a reply to the Massachusetts Board, made no report.

The Chairman reported that an arrangement had been made by which the Publishing Agent would serve without compensation until May.

The resolution offered Feb. 6, by F. S. Gibbons, was taken up, and a motion of L. Tappan, was indefinitely postponed.

The resolutions offered by J. Leavitt, Feb. 20

were taken up.

The first resolution was rejected.

The second was adopted, viz.

Resolved - That a meeting of the friends of the cause in this city be called by special personal invitation, to consider the present situation of our affairs, with a view to a provision for the support of the Emancipator.

Resolved - That the Committee of Publications carry this resolution into effect.

Resolved - That the resolution passed Feb. 20, respecting the editors of the Emancipator be published in the next paper.

A. B. Stanton's Bill of travelling expenses to Albany, Utica, Peterboro, Philadelphia, New Jersey, &c. was ordered to be paid \$41.91.

George Harris' Bill of trav. Exp. to Boston was ordered to be paid - \$6.18.

G. H. Drake's bill of services & trav. Exp. in Massachusetts last winter was ordered to be paid — — — \$72.83 -

The Asst. Treasurer reported.

Receipts, Feb. 1 to 29, 1840, \$1,086.16

Paid Agents, salaries & exp. 649.93

Excess of Receipts 436.23.

A proposal of H. B. Stanton for the
payment of a bill for the publication
of a paper issued respecting the
Massachusetts difficulties last year,
was referred to the Publishing Committee

Resolved - That the Publishing Com-
mittee take charge of the defense in
the libel suit of J. Wash vs S. W. Wendell

Resolved - That the Publishing Com-
mittee be empowered, with the concur-
rence of the Corresponding Secretaries, to
procure rooms for the Society at a
rent not exceeding five hundred
dollars a year.

Resolved - That the Publishing
Committee report a plan for con-
ducting the publishing department,
including the printing of the Emanc-
ipator, at an expense for services,
not exceeding a thousand dollars a year

Agreed

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Thursday, March 19th 1840.

March 19/40 At a regular meeting of the Committee, present Birney, Com^l, Sunderland, Gibbons & L. Tappan

J. G. Birney Chairman pro tem.

Meeting opened with prayer. L. Tappan Sec. p. tem.

The Minutes of last meeting were read & approved.

The Assistant Treasurers, being absent, sent the following monthly Report:

Treas. Report.

Cash received from March 1st to the 15th \$344.31

Paid during the same period to Agents &c. \$327.31

Received more than paid \$17.00

The Com^l appointed at last meeting made the following Report:

Amendments
of the
Constitution.

"The Com^l appointed to consider and report whether any, and what amendments in the Constitution of this Society ought to be proposed at its next meeting, have considered the subject, and offer the following Report: -

1. That the words, "and shall be entitled to vote at the meetings," be omitted in Article 4.

2. That the 9th Article be stricken out, and the following substitute be proposed - Any Anti-Slavery Society or Association, founded on the same principles, may become auxiliary to this Society. Each State Auxiliary to appoint delegates not exceeding the representation of such State in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, and where more than one auxiliary exists in a State the delegates shall be equally divided where the number is even, but where the number is odd the Society having the largest number of auxiliaries shall be entitled to the majority. The delegates thus appointed, and they only, shall be entitled to vote at the annual and special meetings of the Society.

Respectfully Submitted

March 9/40. For the Com^l Lewis Tappan."

Report accepted

Resolved That the foregoing Report be accepted and placed upon records.

The Com^{ee} to consider the Report of the Com. on Free People of Colour. People of Colour & the Com^{ee} of Arrangements made no report.

Libel case

L. Tappan made a statement of the Libel case.

Agency Com

The Committees on Agency, Finance & People of Colour made no report.

Int. P. of C. Com

The Com. on Publications reported by reading their Com. on Publications minutes. Resolved That it be referred to the next meeting of the Com^{ee}.

Cor. Sec. Report

The Cor. Sec. made a verbal report.

Mrs Anti S. Soc
Letter

A Letter was communicated from the Cor. Sec. of the Mrs Anti Slavery Society conveying the following resolution - "Voted That the Ex. Com. of the Parent Society be requested by this Board to alter the time of holding its next anniversary, from May 12th to May 5th in order to secure the attendance of all those who purpose going to the World's Convention, and also to allow them sufficient time to arrive seasonably in London, after the annual meeting in New-York" whereupon it was Resolved

That in the opinion of the Com^{ee} it is inexpedient to make the alteration requested.

J. C. Fuller

A Letter was read from James C. Fuller asking for a commission to attend the Anti Slavery Anniversary to be held in London - whereupon it was

Resolved That this Com. have no knowledge of any such Anniversary & therefore can not furnish credentials.

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Inquiry being made for replies to the Interrogatories re-
Replies to the ⁵ceived from the English Abolitionists with reference to the Convention
Interrogatories to be held in London next June the Cor. Sec. stated that Mr Thomas
of English Aboli⁵ had forwarded to Mr F. D. Weld voluminous replies - whereupon
✓ It was Resolved That the Cor. Sec. be requested to apply to Mr
Weld respecting the same & make report at the next meeting
of this Committee.

Massachusetts Reports
✓ Resolved That the Assistant Treasurer be directed to in-
clude in the reports of the State of the Treasury the balance on
hand or the deficiency, in addition to the usual information.

Mr Birney
Mr Birney stated to the Committee, that if he should
go as a delegate to the London Convention his regular salary
he supposed would be sufficient to defray his expenses - but
that it would be necessary for him to receive whatever arrears
might be due him on the first of April, - to anticipate his
salary for the month of April - and to be permitted to devote
the month of April, or so much of it as he might find ne-
cessary, to arrange his private affairs previously to sailing: -
Also to have his salary for the time he should be away - say
for May, June, July & August - so put within his control that
he could command with certainty any portion of it that might
be necessary for his expenses - whereupon it was

L. Tappan
Com
✓ Resolved That L. Tappan be a com^d to raise the
the sum of five hundred dollars by a sale or pledge of books
from the depository to defray Mr Birney's expenses to England.

Mr Birney's
ex. to Albany. Resolved That Mr Birney's expenses to Albany
to attend the Legislature be paid - ten dollars.

Pub. Agent
✓ Resolved That the Pub. Agent be directed to pre-
sent at the next meeting of this com^d a full statement
of the property & debts of the Society.

Adj^d meeting.
Adj^d to meet March 26th 7 o'clock P.M. L. Tappan
Sec. pro tem

Thursday March 26. 1840

At an adjourned meeting of the Committee
Mar 26. 1840. present. A. Tappan, Birney,
Cornish, Sunderland, Weight, Gibbons -

Meeting opened with prayer.

J. Gibbons was appointed Secretary pro tem.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

The Publishing Agent reported the amt
of Stock on hand, debts due to the Society &c

	\$ 18,350.86
Am't owing by Society	6590.74
Bal. in its favor	11,760.12

referred to the Finance Committee, with di-
rections to discharge the debts of the Society
as soon as practicable.

Committee of Arrangements for the Annual
Meeting - & Standing Committee made no
report. -

Committee to whom was referred the Report
of Com. on Free people of color, no report.

A. Tappan being absent, made no report
& in relation to procuring means to defray J.
G. Birney's expenses to London.

The Corresponding Secretary, Reported that
he had written to J. D. Weld in regard to
the interrogatories sent out from London,

March 26.

but had received no answer.

A letter from J Leavitt concerning the Emancipator, was read, & referred to the Pubg Committee with a request that they act promptly on the subject.

On motion of LeRoy Sunderland, H Birney, L Tappan & J Hibbons were appointed a Committee to report on the expediency of recommending ^{to the annual meeting} any or what changes in the organization of the Am. A. Society.

Adjourned

J Hibbons Secy. pro tem.

April 2/40

April 2^d. 1840

At a regular meeting of the Committee at the Society's Office at 7 o'clock P.M. present A. Tappan, Jocelyn, Birney, Stanton, L. Tappan, Cornish & W. Wright.

Meeting opened with prayer.

In the absence of the Recording Secretary L Tappan was appointed Secretary pro tem.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Assistant Treasurer's Report for March was presented viz. Cash received into the Treasury of the American Anti Slavery Society from March 1st to 31st 1840 \$786.55
Cash paid Agents' Salaries & Expenses same period \$668.03
\$108.52

Reports of Select Committees.

Mr Birney stated that he had not yet called ^{together} the Committee on changes in the organization of the Society.

Continued.

L. T. Rec Sec
pro tem.

Treas' Report

Reports of Com.

Mr Birney

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Bimey's expenses L. Tappan reported progress respecting money for Mr
Bimey's expenses to London as a Delegate.
Gibbons' ch^r. Mr Gibbons, being absent, made no ^{a plan for the} Report on ^{free people}
of color.
Com. of arrange^t Mr Stanton, for Com. of arrangements, reported progress.

Standing Com. The Agency Committee reported that they had had no
meeting

Pub. Com. The Publishing Com. reported by reading their min-
utes. On their recommendation it was

Resolved that Mr Leavitt's proposition to purchase the
Emancipator be accepted, viz

"If the Committee will provide for its continuance to
the close of the volume, four (three) papers more, including
my salary to the end of the current quarter, May 9th
and will then assign the list to me, I will undertake
to supply those who have paid in advance with an
anti-slavery paper to the amount of their subscription
I will make a donation to the treasury of \$100 out of
my salary."

Resolved, That the Pub. Agent be directed to report
at the next meeting the stereotype plates on hand that
ought to be sold & the price he can obtain for them.

Com. of Finance Com. of Finance & Com. on the People of Color
People of Color made no report.

The Cor. Secretaries made reports -

Amendments
Constitution Communication from the Widdham Co. Anti Slavery
Society with respect to an alteration in the Constitution.

Resolved That the alterations that have been
proposed to the Constitution be published in the Emancipator.

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The Cor. Sec. laid before the Com. a letter from Hon
Jay's Letter Wm Jay declining the appointment of a delegate to London
for reasons assigned, & communicating facts in regard
to the action of the Episcopal Church with reference to slavery.
Resolved That the Cor. Sec. be requested to apply to
Judge Jay for permission to publish the above letter

The Cor. Sec. read a letter from the Sec. of the Brit-
British & Foreign Anti Slavery Society for requesting this Com.
Anti-Soc to order certain American newspapers, ^{& publications} forwarded regularly.
Whereupon Resolved That the Cor. Secretaries be requested
to select suitable papers ^{to} order them forwarded.

Bill to Stanton Resolved That a bill of printing charged to H B.
Stanton by mistake \$98 be paid by the Assistant Treas^r.

Delegates Resolved That the Finance Com. be empowered to
raise money from the property of the Society to pay the
arrears of the Secretaries' salaries to the end of the
year, and the expenses of Miss Burney & Stanton as
delegates to the Convention to be held in London next June,
and also the expenses of Mr Cornish, if practicable.

Finney's Bill A bill of Mr Finney's expenses in New Jersey was
presented & also a bill of Mr Cross' expenses in Illinois
whereupon it was

Resolved That the Assistant Treasurer be authorized
to settle the above bills according to the stipulations her-
etofore made.

Adjourned

Attest,

Levi Tappan

Sec. pro tem.

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Thursday, April 16, 1840

The regular meeting was held
Present, A. Tappan, Birney, Stanton,
Sunderland, Leavitt, L. Tappan, Gib-
bons, Cornish, Wight.

Prayer by L. R. Sunderland
Minutes read and approved

The St. Treasurer reported
Receipts April 1 to 15 - \$381.25
Paid agents salaries & expenses
& Loan of - - - 1,751.75
Balance of payments 1370.50

Mr. Birney, from the Special Com-
on organization of the Society, made a
report, J. S. Gibbons dissenting.

The Report was accepted, & the question
on its adoption was taken by yeas & nays, as
follows:

Yeas - A. Tappan, Birney, Stanton, Sun-
derland, L. Tappan, Cornish, Wight. 7

Nays - Leavitt, Gibbons, 2

So the report was adopted.

Resolved - That the report be publish-
ed in the next Emancipator

The St. Com. on Plan for the Publication
had not quite completed their report.

The Com. on Finance reported by their
minutes. - Whereupon -

Resolved - That the salaries of the Sec-
retaries and Editor be paid up to the day
of the Annual Meeting.

Resolved, - That, as the sum of \$500 has ^{been} contributed by the friends of James G. Birney towards defraying his expenses to the London Convention, - The sum of three hundred dollars \$300 additional be appropriated to enable him to fulfil his mission.

Resolved - That the sum of five hundred dollars be appropriated to defray the expenses of Mr. Stanton to London, & that as much of the ~~same~~ pledge of the Vermont Society be specifically pledged for that purpose.

Resolved - That so much as is necessary to pay the \$300 to Mr. Birney be appropriated of the subscriptions made at the Cleveland meeting, & the pledge of the Maine Soc.

Resolved - That so much as is necessary to meet the payments due to J. Leavitt be appropriated out of the pledge of the Eastern Pennsylvania Society.

Resolved - That the remainder of the Society's property be transferred to S. W. Benedict & L. Tappan in trust,

1st. - To secure Mr. Rankin's endorsement

2nd. - To secure themselves for their personal liabilities on behalf of the Society.

3rd. - To provide for the remaining

debts & liabilities of the Society. - Said property to be re-transferred to the Executive Committee or their successors, on security being given for the payment of said debts and liabilities, - or in the event of a sale, the balance of the proceeds to be restored in like manner.

Mr. Stanton having resigned as a member of the Com. of arrangements, Mr. Leavitt was appointed in his place.

Mr. Leavitt stated that he had no wish to avail himself of the agreement adopted at the last meeting respecting the Emancipator, should they wish to make a different disposal of it. The following preamble & resolution were adopted -

Whereas the financial condition of the Society does not permit the continuance of the Emancipator in the hands of the Committee, or to reimburse subscribers who have paid in advance, and as it is desirable that the paper should be continued in this city,

Resolved - That the Publishing Agent be authorized to sell the subscription books of the Emancipator to the Executive Committee of the City Anti Slavery Society, including the amount due from subscribers - provided they will supply those

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who have paid in advance, amounting to about \$1,000, & will publish the paper at least a year under the charge of the present editor.

James S. Gibbons gave notice that he should enter a protest against the last vote.

Mr. Stanton's bill of expenses in Massachusetts was ordered paid \$44.75

Resolved - That it be recommended to Mr. Wild to prepare & publish an Anti Slavery Almanac for 1841, on his own account.

Amendments to the Constitution were laid before the Committee by A. F. Williams & William B. Earle.

Adopted

[Special Meeting]

Thursday, April 24 - 1840 -
A Special Meeting was held, on call of Stanton, Leavitt & L. Tappan, to consider the transfer of the Emancipator, & the financial & office concerns of the Society, & the Annual Report.

Present, A. Tappan, L. Tappan, Sunderland, Stanton, Gibbons, Wright.
Opened with prayer.

J. S. Gibbons was appointed Rec. Sec. pro tem.

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A. Libell - & A. ^{Lane} ~~Lane~~ attended on
behalf of the New York City Society, and
made certain statements & propositions.
~~respecting the Emancipator.~~

On motion of W. B. Stanton, it was
Resolved - That, the publication of
the Emancipator having been as-
sumed by the New York City Anti-Slavery
Society; & this Committee regarding the
continuance of that paper as of
great importance to the Anti-Slavery
cause - we recommend to the
abolitionists of this city to contribute
liberally to its support.

The Committee on behalf of the
City Society expressed their assent to this
vote as satisfactory.

Resolved - That it is inexpedient
for the Society to occupy these rooms
after May 1.

Resolved - That the Recording Sec-
etary be authorized to remove the So-
ciety's Library, records & furniture,
to the room in Clinton Hall, & to occupy
the same till after the annual
meeting.

Adjourned

Thursday, May 7, 1840.

The regular meeting was held at the old office, 143 Napan street.

Present, - A. Tappan, Dummer, Wright, Sunderland, Leavitt, L. Tappan, Jolyne, Gibbons, Birney, Stanton.

Opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read & approved. The notes of the Special Meetings were read.

The Assistant Treasurer reported -

Receipts, April 1 to 30, 1840 - \$1,359.00

Cash paid agents salaries & expenses 6,701.42

Exp paid out - 5,342.42

Of the amount paid agents salaries & expenses there was paid to H. B. Stanton in publication \$2,669.36

" " " Mr. Birney 291.25

" " " Mr. Tappan 10 34.87

\$ - 3,995.42

The Com. of Arrangements reported, in progress, that they had engaged the Church - cor. of Catherine & Madison streets, at an expense for the week not exceeding \$100.

The Committee on Finance, Agency, & People of Color made no report.

The Com. on Publications reported the monthly return of the Pub. Agent.

The Cor. Secy. made no report.

J. S. Gibbons' Protest against the transfer of the Emancipator was presented, and ordered to be entered on the minutes.

Protest.

The Executive Committee of the American Anti-Slavery Society have voted to transfer the Emancipator to the N. York City Society on the alleged ground, that they can no longer provide the means necessary to sustain it.

In the name of the American Anti-Slavery Society, I protest against this act of the Committee, for the following (among other) reasons:

1. The Emancipator is not the property of the Executive Committee. It belongs to the American Society, which is constituted of the Abolitionists of the Country. Who have sustained it through a long period of pecuniary embarrassments, and but for whose aid, it would have ceased to exist long ago. The aggregate excess of expenditure over all its receipts, since 1835, is more than ten thousand dollars, which has been liquidated by the American Anti-Slavery Society, and not by its Executive Committee. The Committee not being its real proprietors have therefore no right to dispose of the Emancipator, by sale, transfer, or otherwise.

2. The Emancipator is the official organ of the Am. Anti-Slavery Society. The Executive Committee were appointed (in part) to conduct that organ, as the official exponent and vindicator of its principles, - as the guardian

of its integrity, - as the proper and
accredited medium of correspondence
with its constituents & auxiliaries.
To remove that organ, is, literally, to
destroy a part of its organization,
- to strike at the existence of the Amer-
ican Anti-Slavery Society, whose members
never contemplated vesting a suicidal
power in their Executive Committee,
which they might wield at pleasure.

3. The transfer is not necessary on
the alleged ground. A statement of the
property of the Society shows a large bal-
ance over all its liabilities.

4. Due respect to the feelings & opin-
ions of the Abolitionists generally, dic-
tates the propriety of referring the final
disposition of the Emancipator to the
approaching annual meeting. ~~of the~~
A suspension of the publication would
be preferable to its transfer, as it would
not thereby be placed beyond the power
of the Society to resume it, whereas,
by the vote now passed, it is irrever-
sible.

There are some of the more im-
portant considerations which in-
duce my dissent from the vote of the
Committee

(Signed) James S. Gibbons.

J. Leavitt's account of Nov. Exp. to
Philadelphia ordered to be paid \$888.50.

Resolved - That Mr. Leovitt be appointed to prepare the Annual Report of the Doings of the Executive Committee for the year, according to the Constitution, to be laid before the Society at the approaching Annual Meeting.

Resolved - That when we adjourn, it be to meet at 128 Fulton Street, on Monday evening, to hear the Annual Report, which is not to exceed twenty five minutes in length.

V Resolved - That the papers submitted by the ^{Ministry} Treasurer be referred to the Finance Committee, to prepare a condensed statement, and submit the same at the adjourned meeting on Monday.

Resolved - That the Business meeting of the Society be held on Tuesday Afternoon, at 4 o'clock.

Resolved - That the committee, J. W. Benedict & H. Zupher, be authorized ^{in case the specific application should not be received in season} to pay the money for Messrs. Binney & Stanton's expenses to England, out of the proceeds of property in their hands, provided it can be done consistently with justice to the creditors of the Society.

✓ An application of The Rev. B. E. Foster of Utica, for a commission to represent the Am. Anti Slavery Society in the London Conference, & ^{ask for approval of his object in visiting England.}

Resolved - That it is inexpedient to appoint Mr. Lester a delegate for this Socy.

✓ Resolved - That this Committee do not wish to be responsible for any application to British philanthropists, soliciting donations of money for Anti-Slavery objects in this country.

Resolved - That the Publishing Agent be authorised to subscribe for the papers ordered by Mr. Hedgcock, on behalf of the B. & F. Anti-Slavery Socy., & send out the bills by Mr. Stanton.

✓ Resolved - That the answer to the interrogatories sent out from London, prepared by Mr. Thorne & Mr. Wild, be put into the hands of our delegates, to be revised by them, and presented to the London Convention on behalf of this Committee.

The following was adopted, as a motion of James G. Birney:

✓ Resolved - That, in view of the importance of the General Conference which is to ~~be held~~ commence in London on the 12th of June, to consult on the best means for putting an end to Slavery & the Slave Trade throughout the world, and of the necessity of the Holy Spirit to guide their deliberations; - the abolitionists of

the United States, be requested to hold public meetings on the said 12th day of June next, for prayer to our Heavenly Father, that the said Conference may be guided by the Spirit of truth, to do what shall be acceptable to God, beneficial to the enslaved, and honorable to the cause of humanity.

J Leavitt submitted, in writing, two amendments to the Constitution, to be proposed at the approaching annual meeting.

Adjourned

Monday, May 11, 1840

The Committee met, pursuant to adjournment, to consider the Annual Report.

Present - St Zaphan, Gibbons, Juby, L. Zaphan, Wright, Leavitt & Sunderland.

Opened with prayer.

The minutes of the two last meetings were read & approved.

The Finance Committee reported that their abstract was not quite completed, but would be finished in the morning.

Resolved - That the report on the finances, be completed as proposed, & that the substance of it be incorporated in the annual report.

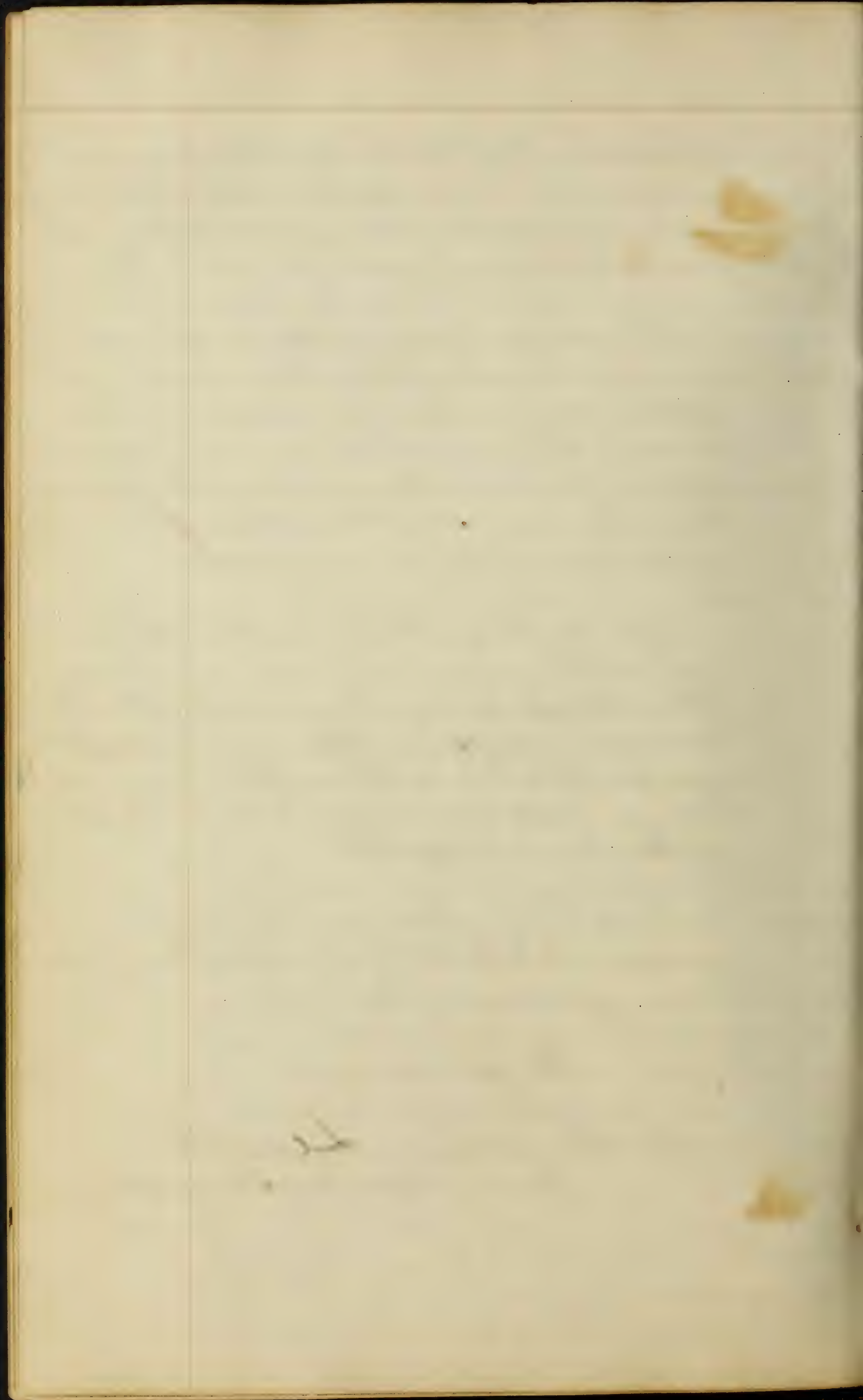
A communication was received from the Windham County Anti Slavery Society, proposing to amend the constitution in such a way as to leave the choice of the Executive Committee directly in the hands of the Society.

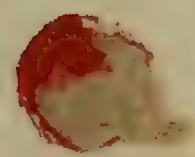
The draft of the Annual Report was read, as far as prepared, by the Recording Secretary, and after discussing page by page, was accepted & ordered to be read at the Anniversary, with the amendments and additions suggested.

Mrs. Sunderland & Jackson were added to the Committee of arrangements.

Adjourned

Attest. John Leavitt
Recording Secretary





Minutes of the Executive Committee
of the American Anti Slavery Society
for the Year 1840 Commencing

May 15th

May 15th
Executive Committee

Names of Com.

Wm L. Garrison - Chm
William Buffum
Thomas Van Rensselaer
Isaac T. Hopper
Charles Marriott
J. Jackson
J. B. Hathaway
Nathaniel Southard
Lucretia Mott
Lydia M. Child
Maria W. Chapman

William M. Chace - Since added

Secretaries

Dom. Cor. Sec. - J. Jackson
Foreign Cor. Sec. - C. C. Burleigh
Rec. Sec. - J. B. Hathaway

Treasurers

Treasurer - Isaac T. Hopper

Ex Com. meeting

At a meeting of the Executive Committee held
at the Anti Slavery Room. May 22. 1840

Isaac T. Hopper in the Chair -

Members present:

I. T. Hopper, W. L. Garrison, J. Jackson, Chas. Marriott
Thos. Van Rensselaer, Nathaniel Southard, William

W. M. Chace

Made statements
which were con-
sidering.

Mr Chace being present was invited to sit as a
Corresponding member, and to make some state-
ments of the feelings of the friends at the East
concerning.

Wp.

But up

Motion of Mr.

On Motion of J. S. Jackson. the list of the Com
mittee not being full. W. M. Chace was proposed
to be added — Seconded by Thos Van Rensselaer
& Carma — The name of Mr C. was added

Mr. Jackson.

On Motion of J. S. Jackson. the Secretary was
Ordered in the Ordinance to open a correspondence with different
Individuals to be Individuals & obtain their views in respect to the —
Corresponded with Anti Slavery Cause.

New Paper

On Motion of Thos Van Rensselaer
Resolved that the name of the New Paper be
called the "National Anti Slavery Standard"
Seconded by J. S. Jackson. & Carma —

Com of publication

On Motion of Thos Van Rensselaer
Resolved that measures be immediately taken
to publish the N. A. S. Standard and that a
Committee be appointed for that purpose consisting
of the following persons.

William M. Chace
J. S. Jackson

Nathaniel Southard

On Motion of J. S. Jackson. to

Resolved that the Committee adjourn to
meet to morrow afternoon at 4 O Clock
to hear the report of the Publishing Committee

Adjourned

Adjourned

J. S. Jackson

Rec Sec pro tempore

May 23. 1840

Meeting of the Committee

Members Present

J. T. Hopper J. Jackson S. L. Gibbons
Thos Van Rensselaer A. Southard W. M. Chace

Report on printing
by W. M. Chace

referred back
to Committee,

Perquisition of
A. Southard

Salaries,
J. C. Jackson
\$1,000. per year

Office Rent.

Salary of
J. T. Hopper

W. M. Chace made a report of the different prices
that it would take to print the Standard in the city,
from an abstract furnished him by different printers.
On Motion of J. Van Rensselaer voted that the subject
be referred back to the Special Committee with power
to select such printers as they thought best.

On Southard presented his resignation
I gave in his reasons. On Motion of W. M. Chace
it was accepted.

On Motion of William M. Chace it was
voted that the salary of the domestic Corresponding
Secretary, J. C. Jackson be \$1,000, dollars, per year
to be paid in quarterly installments.

On Motion of William M.
Chace. voted that S. L. Gibbons be authorized
to hire the old office 143 Nassau Street at an
expense of five hundred & fifty dollars.

On Motion of William M.
Chace voted that the salary of J. T. Hopper
be six hundred dollars a year to be paid
in quarterly installments.

On Motion of J. V. Rensselaer

Adjourned

J. Jackson

Recd. Sec. pro tempore

August 31 1840. Meeting of the Executive Committee

Present J. H. Hopper, Chas. Marriott, J. Van Rensselaer,
J. S. Gibbons, J. C. Jackson. On motion, of J. C. Jackson, ^{seconded by J. H. Hopper} W. C. Rogers,
appointment & salary - at Seven hundred dollars
Rogers salary per year & travelling expenses. Carried,

On Motion of Chas. Marriott - a Special Committee
was ^{appointed} ~~appointed~~ to prepare an address to the Mass
Committee Society giving them a statement of our finances.
It Carried. On motion of J. C. Jackson seconded
by Thos Van Rensselaer that W. C. Rogers
be appointed a member of the Exec Committee
Committee

J. C. Jackson & W. C. Rogers, J. C. Jackson & W. C. Rogers
were appointed that Committee to prepare an
address.

On Motion of J. C. Jackson, voted that
J. S. Gibbons prepare ~~business~~ by laws & present them at
the next meeting of the Committee Carried -

On Motion of Thos Van Rensselaer the Corresponding
Secretary was instructed to correspond with W. C. Rogers
to know whether his services can be obtained as Editor
of the Motion at ^{on what terms} Standard. Carried

On Motion of J. C. Jackson.
W. C. Rogers was appointed Recording Secretary -

On Motion of J. S. Gibbons the treasurer
was instructed, to make a report of the standing of the
finances & present ^{the} for consideration & publication in the
Standard. Carried

On Motion of J. C. Jackson, seconded by W. C. Rogers
Chas. Marriott & Thos Van Rensselaer were appointed
an Auditing Committee to audit accounts from time
to time as case might require.

On Motion adjourned to meet at 5 O'clock

Sept 4 1840

Meeting of the Ex^t Committee

Members Present: J. S. Gibbons, Chair
Isaac T. Hopper, J. C. Jackson, W. C. Rogers

J. S. Gibbons from Committee on bye laws,
reported as follows

Report on

Bye Laws

- 1st Bye Laws of Ex. Comm. A. A. Society.
The Committee shall hold its stated
meetings, on each alternate Wednesday.
2^d The following shall be the order of
proceedings:

1. The minutes of the previous meeting
shall be read, & adopted.
2. The Treasurers Report, stating the
amount received, & amount paid
since previous report, and the balance
remaining in his hands.
3. Report of Secretaries
4. Reports of Standing Committee
5. Reports of Special do.
6. Special business

Auditing bills

3^d

All bills, excepting cash purchases, shall
be presented first to the auditing com-
mittee, and no bill shall be paid
without the countersign of its Chair.

Secretarys report

4th

The Secretaries shall make regular
reports of their correspondence, which
shall be noted on the minutes.

Gen. Sec. to report

5th

The General Agent shall report the
the No of Subscribers to the "Standard"
and also the discontinuances, if any-
with any other matter connected
with the affairs of the Office, that
may require the action of the Com-
mittee

Special meetings

6th Special Meetings of the Committee may be called at the request of any three members

On Motion, action was taken upon each of the above, separately, and unanimously adopted.

Finance Comt.

On Motion of J. B. Jackson. J. T. Hopper & J. S. Gibbons, were appointed a Committee on Finance

Comt on Publications

On Motion, W. C. Rogers & J. T. Hopper, were appointed a Committee on publications received from Philadelphia.

Letter from L. Allyn

J. B. Jackson, read a letter from Luther Allyn containing sundry inquiries relating to the "Standard," upon what terms it could be afforded for a given number of Copies, &c

Cor Secretary

On Motion the Corresponding Secretary was instructed to negotiate with Mr Allyn, and allow him our most favourable terms on his ordering 500 Copies of the "Standard." An also to confer with him upon the subject of an Agency

L. Allyn

Adj.
W. C. Rogers
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New York. Sep. 25th 1840

Committee met - present W. H. Chubb, Chr. Isaac
J. Hopper, Tho. Van Rensselaer & Charles Marriott.

The Treasurer reported that the receipts of money on account of the Society were inadequate to meet the expenses of the paper & office - whereupon the Committee took in consideration the financial embarrassments under which the Society had long labored, and the various obstacles which now impede its progress, with a view to devise & adopt means for relief. The impracticability of raising funds in the present excited state of the public mind, has been fairly proved by the fact, that all the usual and hitherto successful means employed for that purpose, have completely failed. The sources from which the Anti Slavery cause, in common with other benevolent objects, has been supplied, are now exhausted by the claims of political parties; and it is not probable that we shall succeed in our efforts to obtain relief at home, until the great political contest which now distracts the Country shall be decided. Shall we suspend our operations for a time, and thus lose much of the ground that we have gained, or shall we make renewed efforts, but to encounter aggravated defeat? These, and many other considerations were seriously weighed by the Committee. The probabilities of success in an application to abolitionists in England was also discussed. Some of the delegates to the London Convention having represented that their intercourse & observation, while in England, had led them to the conclusion that relief might

be obtained in that quarter, the committee deliberated on the propriety of authorizing a commission to solicit the necessary aid from those ^{of our English brethren} who are known to be friendly to the cause of human liberty, without ~~any~~ distinction of class or country. It was finally resolved to commission John A. Collins for that service. ~~and~~ The following address was adopted, and the Secretary instructed to furnish him with a Copy:

To the Abolitionists of England.
Beloved coadjutors in the cause of universal emancipation—

We depute our trustworthy and esteemed friend and brother, John A. Collins, to visit you at the present crisis, in order to obtain such pecuniary aid for the antislavery enterprise in this country as you may find it in your hearts, & within your ability to bestow. We are not forgetful of what you have had to endure, to sacrifice & to overcome in seeking the utter overthrow of British West India slavery. We have sympathized with you in all your trials, & are now rejoicing with you in the success which the God of the oppressed has so wonderfully vouchsafed to you. We bid you God-speed in your efforts to civilize & Christianize Africa, & especially to redeem oppressed & misgoverned India. For all that you have done by way of example, exhortation, remonstrance & encouragement to sustain those, who, on this side of the Atlantic, are struggling against the most

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fearful odds for the overthrow of Slavery, we bless & honor you. We have been cheered by your approving voices, inspired by your smiles, & strengthened by your co-operation. Surely, you have neither spoken, nor labored in vain.

Hitherto, we have made no direct appeal to you for pecuniary aid, to enable us to carry on our great moral conflict against the one great crime & curse of our land. If it could have been soon granted to us, we do not doubt that our enterprise would have been much further advanced than it is at present; for, as in every other philanthropic movement that is wisely conducted, the dissemination of light & truth is graduated by the available means & instrumentalities adapted to accomplish the object in view. If we could possibly avoid making this application to you for assistance, - if we could possibly sustain the operations of the American Antislavery Society, without appealing to your sympathy & benevolence, - we would gladly do so. But the exigencies of the times, and the embarrassment in which we find ourselves placed, require us to take this step. We have done what we could; and still, we need your aid; and without it, we see no prospect of our being able much longer to keep the field in an organized capacity, against the foes of human rights. Why it is that we are thus straitened, we proceed very briefly to state.

1. The present is a time of delirious political excitement in this country, - an

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excitement most injurious to the progress of anti-slavery principles, & one which absorbs in an extraordinary manner, the feelings & interests of all classes of the people. It has been heightened by the pecuniary embarrassments which have so extensively prevailed in the United States for the last two or three years, & in addition to the usual party stimulus, grows out of an insane attempt to restore the prosperity of the nation by carefully guarding that execrable system of slavery, which is fast hurrying us all to ruin. Both of the candidates for the Presidential station, are openly & unequivocally pledged to stand by the slaveholding states, and, as far as may be in their power, to shield them from every antislavery assault that may be made upon their hideous domestic institution. It is not a struggle therefore, either to deliver the country from the primary cause of its pecuniary suffering, or to place in office, a friend of liberty. Whether General Harrison or Martin Van Buren be the successful candidate, ~~that~~ the slaveholding power will still hold complete supremacy over the nation.

2. Though the real growth of our cause has been marvellous even in the eyes of its enemies, yet we are daily making the painful discovery, that "all are not Israel, who are of Israel," and that there are many who are abolitionists only in name. They run well for a time, but finding that they must sacrifice either their sectarian or party prejudices, or compromise their antislavery principles, they have chosen the latter alternative. Not that they have lost the form, but that they deny the power of

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abolition. It is difficult, if not impossible, for our friends in England to understand the peculiar character of the opposition we are called upon to encounter, or how mountainous are the obstacles that tower in the path of emancipation, or how much faith in God it requires for American abolitionists to endure unto the end. The struggle in this country is, in many respects, very different from that which our transatlantic coadjutors had to maintain against British West India slavery. They had not this giant sin to contend with on their own soil; their natural humanity was uncorrupted by its presence; they had (with some individual & local exceptions) to pass through no fiery ordeal, to incur no personal or pecuniary hazard, to combat no complexional prejudice, to wrestle not "against principalities, & powers, & spiritual wickedness in high places". With us, slavery is omnipresent. Wide as our national territory, its fierce spirit covers the whole surface thereof; and there is not one foot of earth in all the country, on which a fugitive slave can stand in safety from his pursuers. The conflict is hand to hand, foot to foot, face to face, with this dreadful enemy. All that is corrupt, malignant & powerful in the land, on any subject, is combined to crush our movement. We have to contend against the mighty & united opposition of Church & State; and because fidelity to the cause of the perishing slave requires us to expose their rottenness & inhumanity, the cry is raised that we are endeavoring to overthrow the Church & to subvert the State!! But God is our witness that we are laboring with all purity &

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disinterestedness of motive to redeem & save them.
3. But the great cause of our present embarrassment, is the unhappy division which has taken place in the antislavery ranks during the present year, & which has led to a secession on the part of some, who were formerly zealous in their support of the American Antislavery Society. A rival society was formed at New York in May last, with the title of the American & Foreign Antislavery Society; the grand object of which by its official organ, its agents & auxiliaries, seems to be the utter extermination of our organization, rather than the overthrow of slavery. Our position is one of self defense, not of aggression. We have had the most extraordinary, calumnious & flagrant charges brought against us by individuals who formerly stood high in our confidence and affection, of whom we expected better things, and whose names are not without weight in England. Of all their charges, we do solemnly aver, that there is only one that is true: & that is, that in our society we proscribe no persons on account of their religion, country, sex, complexion, or caste, but welcome all as friends & fellow laborers, who believe that slaveholding is a sin against God under all circumstances, & who insist upon the immediate & unconditional emancipation of all who pine in bondage. We do not put a gag into the mouth of any individual who may feel moved to "plead the cause of all such as are appointed to destruction," nor establish any religious or political test as a condition of membership, nor presumptuously determine "the appropriate sphere" of any human being. We regard the antislavery platform as one

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common to all persons, & deny the right of any on that platform to make their peculiar theological or sectarian opinions, on any other topic, binding upon their associates as abolitionists. "The head & front of our offending, hath this extent - no more!"

Since the organization of the American Anti-Slavery Society, men & women have alike made themselves members & life-members of it; and consequently have enjoyed a constitutional right to participate in its proceedings. At the Annual Meeting of the Society in 1839, an attempt was made for the first time, to exclude persons from acting as members on account of their sex. The Rev. Nathaniel Colver, at the head of a considerable number of clergymen, moved that none but men should have their names placed upon the roll. This motion was amended by substituting the word persons for men, in accordance with the language of the constitution. In the course of the debate upon it, Gerritt Smith of Peterboro', said -

"Bro. Leavitt (Editor of the Emancipator) is right. You can exclude no description of persons from the Society. As many women are officers of auxiliary societies, they are, ex-officio entitled to seats here. Common usage in this matter has been brought forward. I never, before last evening, heard usage quoted to overthrow the plain letter of a constitution. Religious scruples have also been brought forward. It has been well said, in reply, there is also a conscience on the other side. I believe that in Christ's bosom, all are equal. There is neither Jew nor Greek, bond nor free, male nor

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female. I have been grieved at the threat of a secession thrown out. I hope those who have made them will think better of it. I was slow, too slow to withdraw from the Colonization Society. I shall be very slow to withdraw from this Society. You must be guilty of palpable, gross immorality, & must show a disposition to continue in it, before I shall do so. Bro. Birney thinks we should propose an amendment to the Constitution. He gets the saddle on the wrong horse. The Constitution suits us as it is. One word more. If some auxiliary societies prefer to send up here, as their delegates, your Chapman, your Kelly's & your Birney's, have we the right to object? If a woman can do my work best, I wish to be at liberty to select a woman."

In commenting upon the decision of the meeting, the Emancipator, (the official organ of the Society) remarked, as follows:

"The vote of the Society, being grounded on the phraseology of the Constitution, cannot be justly regarded as committing the Society for or against any party on the general question of Women's Rights; whereas, a contrary decision, unsupported by the Constitution, would have been taking sides on a question, respecting which the Society was bound to entire neutrality."

In this opinion, we, the present Executive Committee, entirely concur.

At the Annual Meeting of the Society in May last, a second attempt was made by a number of Clergymen, to disfranchise a portion of the members of the Society, on account of their sex. This also proved unsuccessful. The minority then withdrew and formed a rival association, as already stated; and the zeal which they manifest for the overthrow of our Society, is equalled only by that of

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all who are hostile to the success of the Antislavery enterprise. They are acting, in this particular, in concert with the Colonization & proslavery opponents of abolition. As a proof of this, taken from a great mass of corroborative evidence, it will suffice to quote the following extracts from the "Pastoral Letter" of the "General Association of Massachusetts, (a notoriously proslavery body) issued in 1837, to the churches under their care;— a letter that was extorted, among other reasons, for the purpose of baffling the efficient and powerful labors of those eminent women, Angelina E & Sarah M Grimké, as public lecturers on the subject of Slavery—lecturers whose appeals were mightily stirring up all that was sympathetic, humane, & religious, in New England, for the overthrow of that atrocious system.

"When woman assumes the place & tone of man as a public reformer, (that is, lifts up her voice in the cause of God & downtrodden humanity,) our care and protection of her seem unnecessary; we put ourselves in self defence against her; she yields the power that God has given her for protection, and her character becomes unnatural. + + + We cannot but regret the mistaken conduct of those who encourage females to bear an intrusive and ostentatious part in measures of reform, & countenance any of that sex, who so far forget themselves as to itinerate in the character of public lecturers and teachers."

This was the language of a clerical association, most bitterly opposed to the Antislavery cause in 1837, & it is now the language of the "Am. and Foreign Antislavery Society" in 1840! The very individuals who were foremost in applauding the conduct of A E & S M Grimké, are now arrayed in opposition to the Parent Society, because

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it will not officially condemn those invaluable labors, & trample upon the constitutional rights of a portion of its members!

As might be expected, the division thus excited in our ranks, has had a most disastrous effect upon all our Organization. The resources of the Am. Society have been greatly crippled, & consequently, its ability to promote the interests of the cause of emancipation, materially lessened. In addition to this unhappy state of things, a new & onerous burden has been imposed upon us, as the Ex^o Com^d of the Society, by the unjustifiable conduct of our predecessors in office. Anticipating the result of the last Annual Meeting of the Society (at which the policy of the present Committee was sustained by a large majority), they sold the Emancip^r to another association a short time prior to the meeting, on the groundless pretext that they had no means to continue its publication, but obviously for the purpose of leaving the Society without an official Organ in the time of its greatest need. In all respect, the sale was not only needless, but highly dishonorable, and a palpable breach of trust. It became necessary, therefore, for the Society, to establish another journal even though destitute of subscribers, & means, to insure its continuance. They accordingly commenced, in June last, the "Nat. A. Stand." a large & beautiful weekly publication which has been sustained with much difficulty up to the present time, but which must be speedily discontinued, we fear, unless some assistance can be obtained from the generous and enlightened friends of Emancⁿ in G. Britain. The discontinuance of the Standard would be a virtual overthrow of the American Society.

Under these circumstances, we are

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constrained to make this appeal to our British brethren, trusting it will not be made in vain. If we can be sustained in our operations, some three or four months longer, the crisis will undoubtedly have passed, & the Society will be able successfully to stem the tide of opposition which now threatens, to swallow it up. The Anti-slavery cause is a common one, & pecuniary aid & moral support may be properly obtained for it from every quarter of the globe. If the present effort to abolish Slavery in this country be allowed to terminate for the want of means, our destiny, as a people, is sealed. In its success, the whole world is deeply interested, & especially England, whose prosperity will be vastly increased by the extinction of that destructive system which is crippling her Commerce & manufactures as well as our own.

We commend our friend & Representative John A. Collins, to your confidence & liberality. He has sacrificed & labored much in the cause, & is unrepentant for his zeal & devotion to it. Whatever is done, must be done quickly. Invoking the benediction of Heaven upon his mission, we remain

Yours, in the cause of bleeding humanity
Signed, in behalf of the Executive Committee, by J. F. Gibbons Chm. & Chas. Marriott. Secy.

On motion, Resolved that Oliver Johnson of Boston, be invited to assist in the editorial labors of the Standard.
Adj.

O. Johnson

invited to become

Assistant Editor.

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The Committee met at No 143 Nassau St. present, J. J. Hopper, Van Rensselaer, Marriott, Gibbons.

On motion of Gibbons, Oliver Johnson was elected a member of the Executive Committee, and appointed Secretary pro tem.

The Chairman of the Committee stated in explanation of there having been no meeting since Sep. 25. That the affairs of the Standard have required the most constant vigilance & exertion on the part of those few members of the Committee, who reside in the City - and that there was no other business requiring attention. In the mean time great exertions had been made to promote the success of the paper. Our Secretary, Samuel Jackson & General Agent W. C. Rogers, are now in the Western part of this State, holding meetings, & soliciting subscriptions, and their efforts so far, have been rewarded by measurable success. The Twentieth Number of the Standard has just been issued, and the prospects of its future progress are encouraging.

On motion, Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to correspond with the Board of Managers of the Mass. Antislavery Society, in order to ascertain whether any arrangement can be

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made for the employment of agents in that State, the present winter, such agents to be commissioned by that Board, or this Committee, as may be thought advisable; and also to inquire on what terms the Board will send or part of their stock of publications to our depositories.

Johnson's
Salary

Resolved, that Oliver Johnson be paid, as a transient editor, at the rate of \$800. per annum.

Adjourned

Wednesday, January 6th - a ~~quorum~~ of the members did not assemble.

Committee met, Wednesday Jan^y 20th. present Isaac T. Hopper, J. Van Rensselaer, & J. Gibbon.

Thomas Van Rensselaer was chosen Secretary pro. tem.

Treasurer's
Report

The Treasurer made a statement of the financial affairs of the Committee from which it appeared, that there was no longer any means to continue the publication of the Standard. After discussing the condition of the cause, it was resolved to issue an appeal to

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the friends of the Society, for aid, and
 Appeal for Funds that the same be prepared immediately,
 and published in the Standard of
 this week.

Ed Gibbons was appointed
 to prepare it.

Adjourned

Committee met, Wednesday, Feb. 3rd
 present Isaac T Hopper, J. Van Rensselaer,
 A Johnson, C Marriott, & Ed Gibbons.

Mr Van Rensselaer was chosen Secy
 pro tem.

Our agent John A Collins advises us
 that he has obtained donations to the Society
 from friends in England & Scotland, to the
 amount of \$930.92, & has remitted a
 draft for the same, payable to the order of
 Henry Chapman, Boston, whose absence
 from the country, renders it ~~necessary~~ necessary
 to negotiate it if possible, through some
 other medium — therefore

Resolved, that it will be agreeable to
 the Committee, if said draft be paid to the
 order of Henry Chapman & Co. of Boston.

Resolved that Wm L Chace be author-
 ized to receive the proceeds thereof, from
 Henry Chapman & Co, subject to our order.

The Committee having received a
 proposition from Isaac Winslow, by which

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he engages to contribute \$200. conditionally
for the support of the Standard, the
following preamble & resolution were
adopted.

Whereas, it appears that the expen-
-ses of the Standard may be greatly
lessened, by purchasing the necessary
materials for that purpose, & whereas
a special pledge of \$200 has been
made by Isaac Winslow, to enable the
Committee to make such purchase, &
also, assurances of aid having been rec^d
from various other sources, with the
same object,

Therefore, Resolved, That Oliver
Johnson & J. Gibbons, be a committee
to carry the proposed plan into effect
provided they can secure aid to the
extent required.

~~Adjourned~~ On motion
Committee James Gibbons & Charles Marriot
to prepare were appointed a Special Com-
mittee to prepare the Annual
Report. —

Thomas Van Rensselaer & J^r
Gibbons were appointed a Com-
mittee of Arrangements to make
preparations for the Annual
Meeting. —
Adjourned.

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Present - J. T. Hopper, Mrs Van Rensselaer, Charles Marriott, J. S. Gibbons, Oliver O. Johnson Johnson. O. Johnson was chosen Sec. pro tem. Secretary pro tem.

On motion, voted, That Committee James S. Gibbons and Mrs. Van Rensselaer be appointed a committee of Arrangements to make arrangements for the next anniversary of the Society.

On motion, voted, That James S. Gibbons be a Committee to prepare the Annual Report of the Executive Committee, to be presented at the next anniversary.

Adjourned.

O. Johnson, Sec. pro tem.

April 8, 1841.

Members present. J. C. Jackson, J. S. Gibbons, O. Johnson. Mrs. Barrett and James P. Boyce of Lynn, Mass., being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

The following preamble and resolution were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, There is little reason to hope that N. P. Rogers will be able to remove to New York to take the permanent charge of the National A. S. Standard; and whereas, we have learned that the services

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of D. L. & S. M. Child may be
 D. L. & S. M. Child secured in that capacity; therefore
 Resolved, That the Chairman
 be instructed to correspond with N.
 Chairman to P. Rogers and with D. L. & S. M.
 correspond and Child on this subject, in order to
 report. ascertain what arrangement
 can be made, and to report the
 result of his inquiries to the Committee.

Adjourned.

O. Johnson, Sec. pro tem.

April 14, 1841.

Present, J. C. Jackson, J. S. Gibbons,
 J. T. Hopper, C. Marriott, ^{Thos. Van Rensselaer,} O. Johnson,

The chairman communicated
 Note from a note from the "trustees," to whom
 S. W. Benedict has transferred the property of the
 and L. Tappan, American A. S. Society before the
 relative to the last anniversary, giving informa-
 tion that they proposed selling said
 Am. A. S. Society property by auction on the 12th of
 May next, unless this Committee
 should choose to redeem it by as-
 suming responsibility for the debts for
 which it was transferred; where-
 upon,

Resolution Resolved, That ~~the Committee~~ we decline
 sent as a interference in the disposition of the
 reply. property of the American A. S. Society,
 held ~~in trust~~ by S. W. Benedict &
 L. Tappan as "trustees."

Adjourned.

O. Johnson,
 Sec. pro tem.

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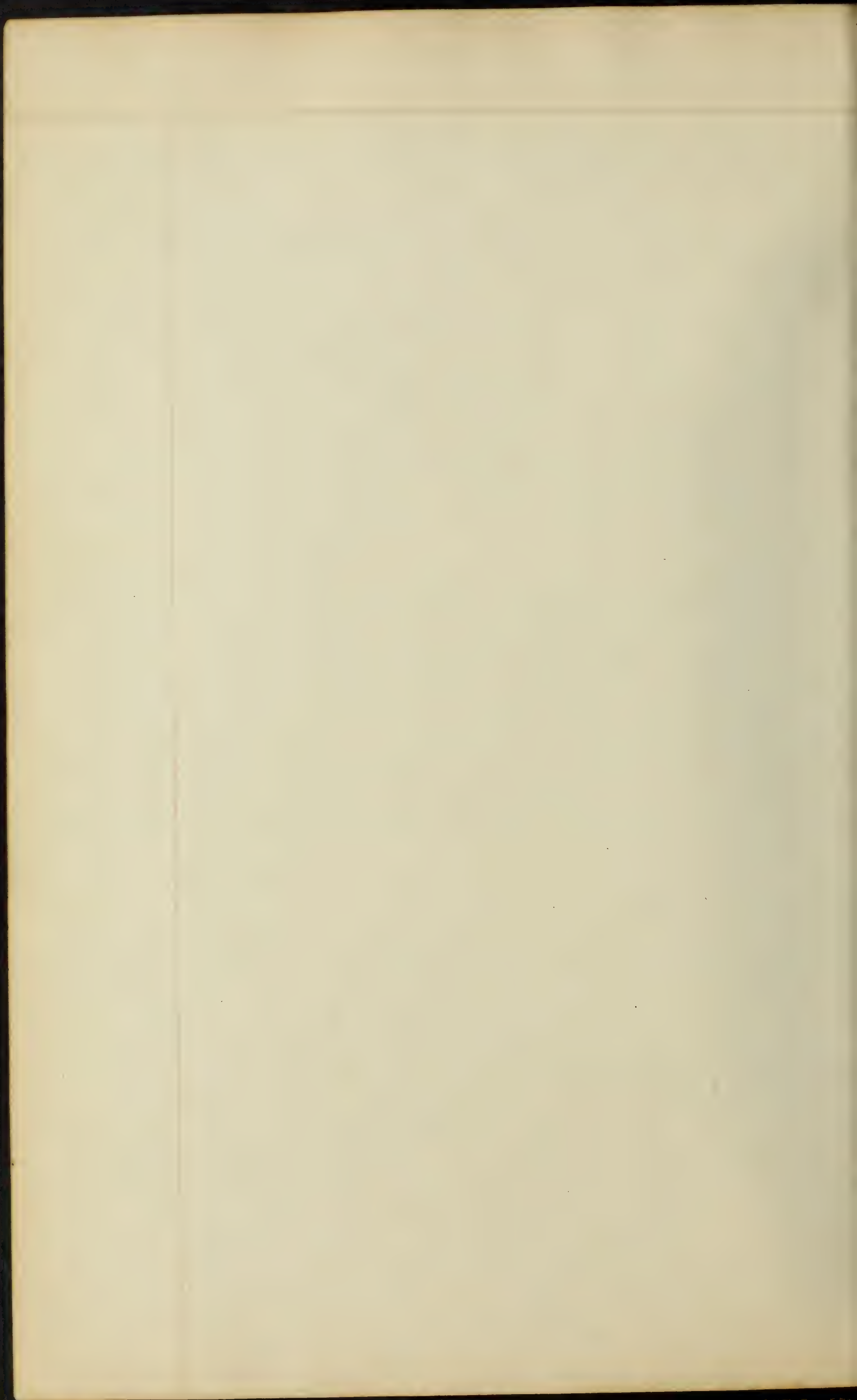
Members Present, J. T. Hopper, C. Marriott, J. S. Gibbons,
present. O. Johnson, J. Van Rensselaer.

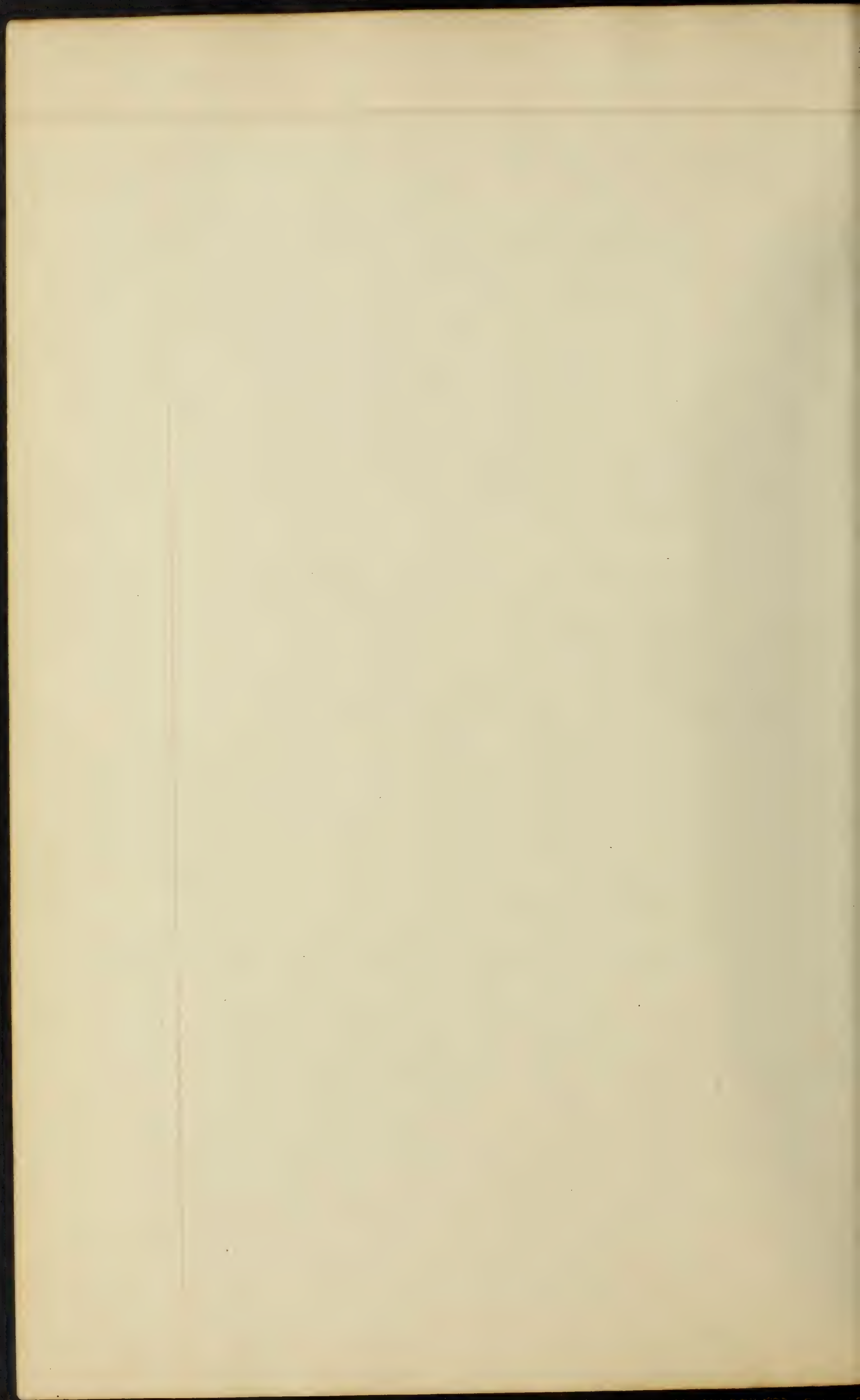
Voted, That Thos. Van Rensselaer be
Committee appointed a committee to wait upon the late
to get roll officers of the American A. S. Society, who have
book and possession of the office roll book and the files
Files of pub. of our publications, and to request that
lications. Said book and files be delivered to this Exec-
utive Committee.

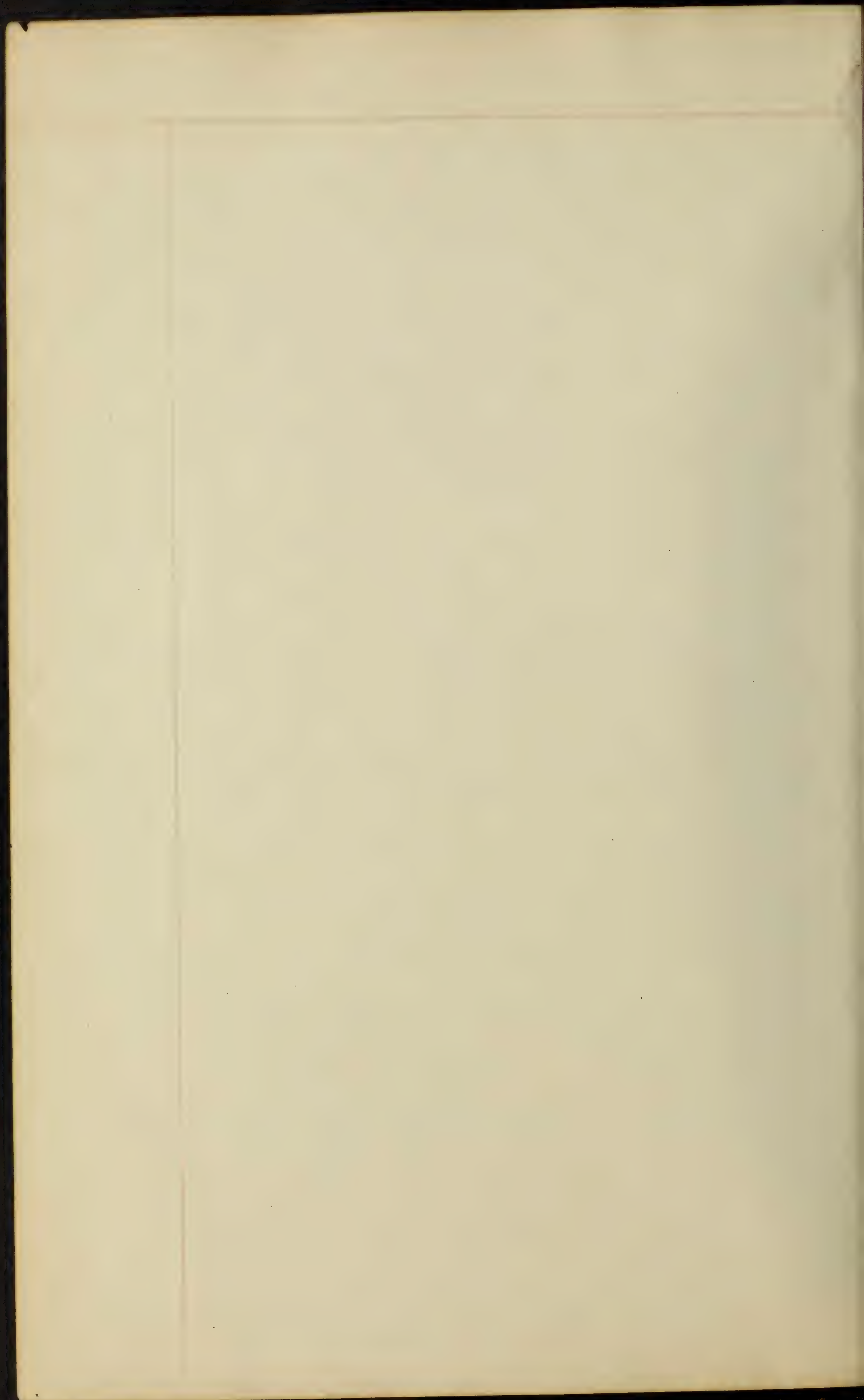
Voted, That the resident editor
Extra number of the Standard be requested to fill
of the Standard the 4th number of that paper with
matter adapted for gratuitous circulation
at the approaching anniversary of the
Society, and that 1000 copies extra be
printed for that purpose.

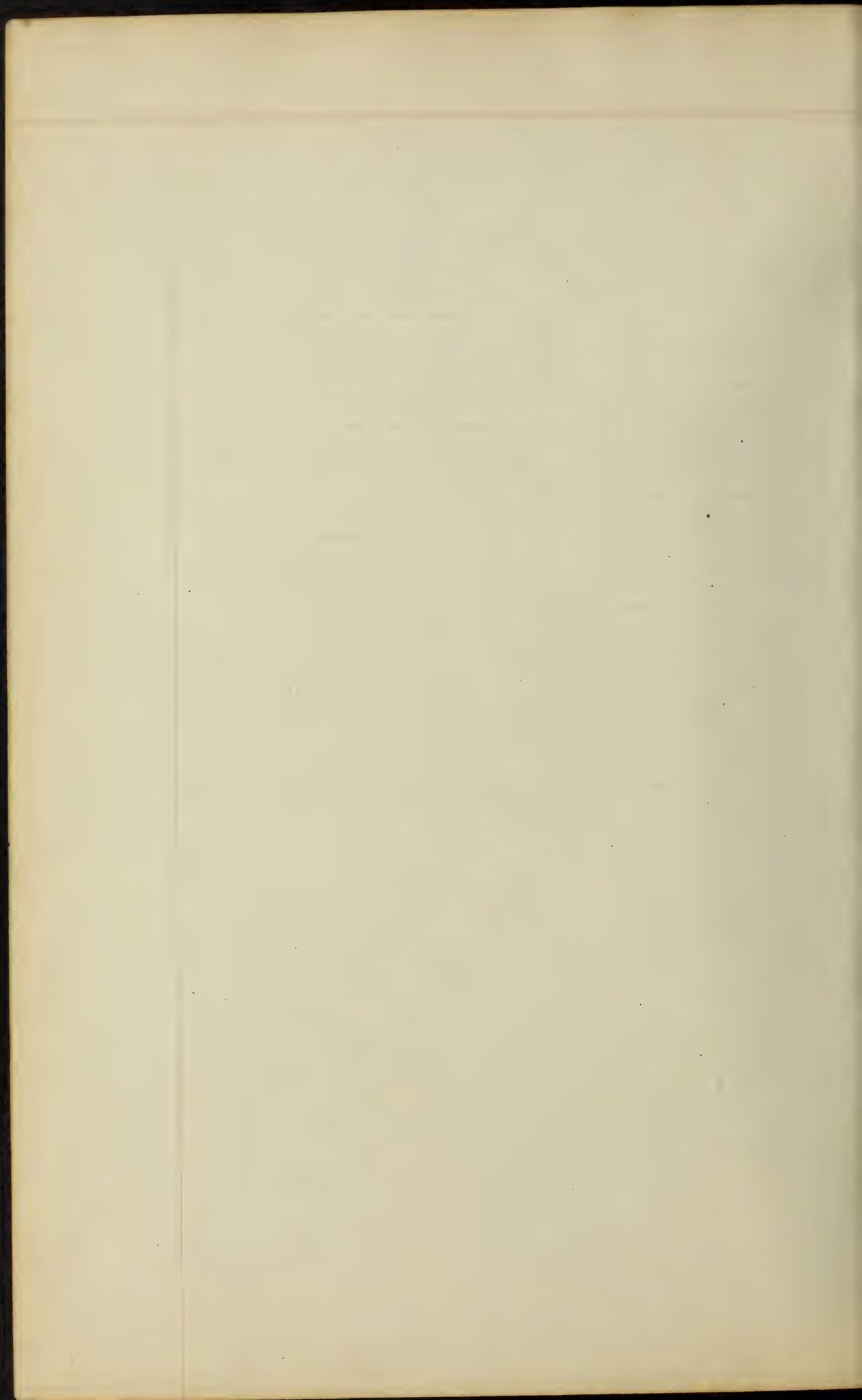
Voted, That O. Johnson, ~~Sec. pro tem.~~ ^{Thomas}
Delegates to Van Rensselaer, W. P. Powell, Mary A.
the E. Pa. A. W. Johnson, ^{and} James C. Jackson be ap-
S. Society. pointed delegates, ^{of the Am. A. S. Society} to the annual meet-
ing of the Eastern Pa. A. S. Society.
O. Johnson,
Sec. pro tem.

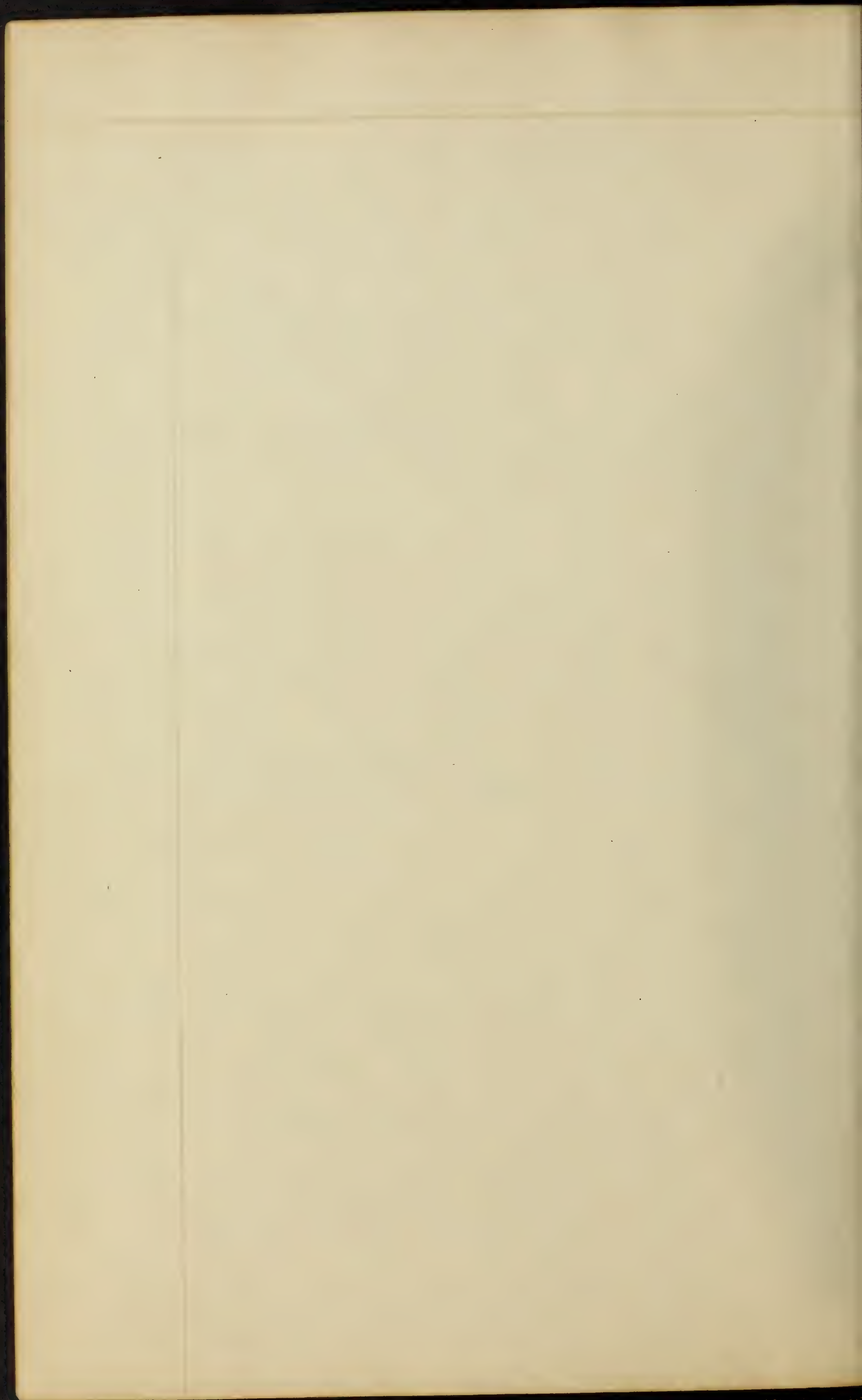
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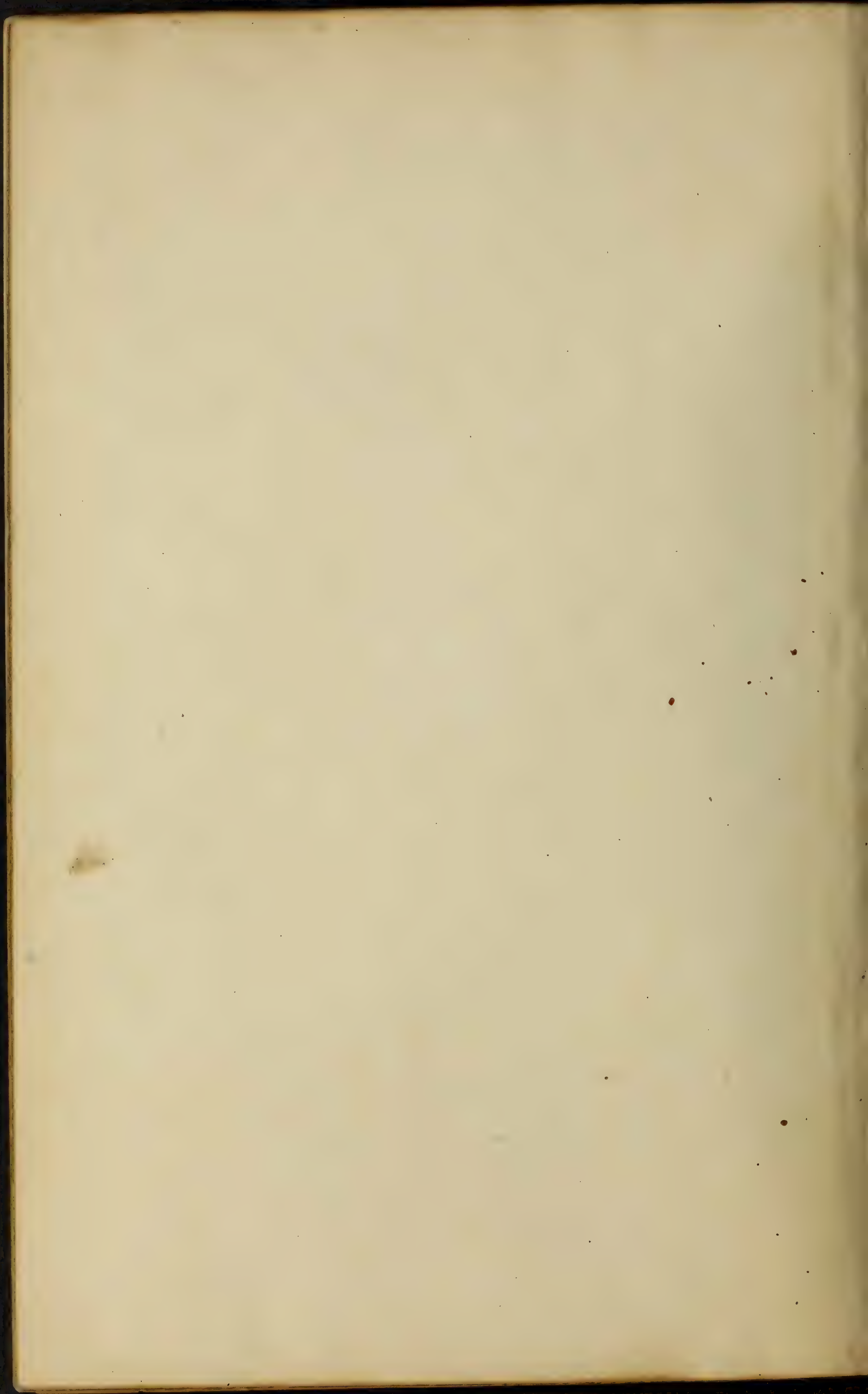
















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